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Seismic Evaluation for **Dixie School District**

Dear Ms. Forson and Mr. Black:

Reid Middleton and our consultant team, under the direction of The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Washington Geological Survey (WGS) School Seismic Safety Project, have conducted seismic evaluations of 222 school buildings and 5 fire stations throughout Washington State. This letter is transmitting the results of these seismic assessments for each school district that graciously participated in this statewide study. We understand that you will be forwarding this letter and the accompanying seismic screening reports to each school district for their reference and use.

Many disparate studies on improving the seismic safety of our public school buildings have been performed over the last several decades. Experts in building safety, geologic hazards, emergency management, education, and even the news media have been asserting for decades that seismic risks in older public school buildings represent a risk to our communities. The time to act is now, before we have a damaging earthquake and/or tsunami that could be catastrophic. This statewide school seismic safety assessment project provides a unique opportunity to draw attention to the need for statewide seismic safety policies and funding on behalf of all school districts that will help enable school districts to increase the seismic safety of their older buildings to make them safer for students, teachers, staff, parents, and the community.

It is not the intent of this study to create an unfunded mandate for school districts to seismically upgrade their schools without associated funding or statewide seismic safety policy support. The overall goal of this study was to screen and evaluate the current levels of seismic vulnerabilities of a statewide selection of our older public school buildings and to use the data

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and information to help quantify funding and policy needs to improve the seismic safety of our public schools. In this process, we are using the information to inform not only the Governor and the Legislature of the policy and funding needs for seismically safe schools but also the school districts that participated in the study.

School Buildings Evaluated in the Dixie School District

We appreciate Dixie School District's participation and invaluable assistance in this statewide project. The following school district building was included as part of this study:

1. Dixie Elementary School, Main Building

The seismic screening of this building was performed using the American Society of Civil Engineers' Standard 41-17, *Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings* (ASCE 41-17), national standard Tier 1 structural and nonstructural seismic screening checklists specific to each building's structure type.

The WGS also conducted seismic site class assessments to measure the shear wave velocity and determine the soil site class at each campus. Site class is an approximation of how much soils at a site will amplify earthquake-induced ground motions and is a critical parameter used in seismic design. Reid Middleton subsequently used this information in their seismic screening analyses.

The following table is a list of available seismic assessment information used in our study:

School Building	Year Constructed	FEMA Building Classification	Structural Drawings Available for Review
Dixie Elementary School, Main Building	1921	Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Walls	No

Detailed descriptions of the seismic screening evaluations of this building can be found in the individual building reports and the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 screening checklist documents enclosed with this letter. This information will also be available for download on the WGS website: <https://www.dnr.wa.gov/programs-and-services/geology/geologic-hazards/earthquakes-and-faults/school-seismic-safety>.

These Tier 1 seismic screening checklists are often the first step employed by structural engineers when trying to determine the seismic vulnerabilities of existing buildings and to begin a process of mitigating these seismic vulnerabilities. School district facilities management personnel and their design consultants should be able to take advantage of this information to help inform and address seismic risks in existing or future renovation, repair, or modernization projects.

It is important to note that information used for these school seismic screenings was limited to available construction drawings and limited site observations by our team of licensed structural engineers to observe the general conditions and configuration of each building being seismically screened. In many cases, construction drawings were not available for review as noted in the table above. Due to the limited scope of the study, our team of engineers were not able to perform more-detailed investigations above ceilings, behind wall finishes, in confined spaces, or in other areas obstructed from view. Where building component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information, the unknown conditions were indicated as such on the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 checklists. Additional field investigations are recommended for the “unknown” seismic evaluation checklist items if more-definitive determinations of seismic safety compliance and further development of seismic mitigation strategies are desired.

Nonstructural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Nonstructural Seismic Screening checklists can provide immediate guidance on seismic deficiencies in nonstructural elements. Mitigating the risk of earthquake impacts from these nonstructural elements should be addressed as soon as practical by school districts. Some nonstructural elements may be easily mitigated by installing seismic bracing of tall cabinets, moving heavy contents to the bottom of shelving, and adding seismic strapping or bracing to water tanks and overhead elements (light fixtures, mechanical units, piping, fire protection systems, etc.).

It is often most economical to mitigate nonstructural seismic hazards when the building is already undergoing mechanical, electrical, plumbing, or architectural upgrades or modernizations. Enclosed with these nonstructural seismic screening checklists are excerpts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) publication E-74 entitled, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage* (FEMA E-74). We have included these FEMA publication excerpts to help illustrate typical seismic mitigation measures that can potentially be implemented by district facilities and maintenance personnel.

Structural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Structural Seismic Screening checklists have evaluation statements that are reviewed for specific building elements and systems to determine if these items are seismically compliant, noncompliant, not applicable, or unknown. These evaluation statements provide guidance on which structural systems and elements have identified seismic deficiencies and should be investigated further. Further seismic evaluations beyond these seismic screening checklists typically consist of more-detailed seismic structural analyses to better define the seismic vulnerabilities and risks. This information is then used to determine cost-effective ways to seismically improve these buildings with stand-alone seismic upgrade projects or incrementally as part of other ongoing building maintenance, repair, or modernization projects. Consequently, implementing seismic structural mitigation strategies typically requires that they be developed as a part of longer-term capital improvements and modernization programs developed by the school district and their design consultants.

Next Steps

Due to the screening nature of the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 procedures, an in-depth seismic evaluation and analysis of these buildings may be needed before detailed seismic upgrades or improvements, conceptual designs, and probable construction cost estimates are developed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the engineering reports or would like to discuss this further, please contact us.

Sincerely,



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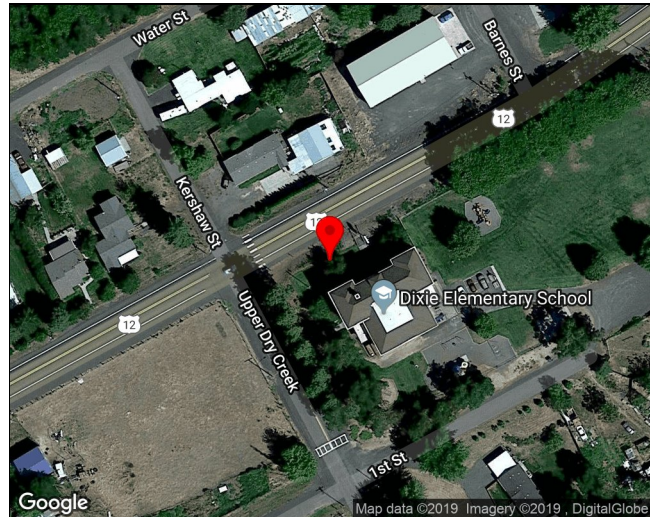
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1. Dixie, Dixie Elementary School, Main Building

1.1 Building Description

Building Name:	Main Building
Facility Name:	Dixie Elementary School
District Name:	Dixie
ICOS Latitude:	46.141
ICOS Longitude:	-118.151
ICOS	
County/District ID:	36101
ICOS Building ID:	18037
ASCE 41 Bldg Type:	URM
Enrollment:	30
Gross Sq. Ft. :	15,291
Year Built:	1921
Number of Stories:	3
S _{XS} BSE-2E:	0.395
S _{X1} BSE-2E:	0.218
ASCE 41 Level of Seismicity:	Moderate
Site Class:	D
V _{S30} (m/s):	359
Liquefaction Potential:	Moderate to High
Tsunami Risk:	None
Structural Drawings Available:	No
Evaluating Firm:	DCI Engineers - Spokane



Dixie Elementary School is a 15,000-square-foot URM building constructed in 1921. The building is two stories over a daylight basement. The building houses classrooms, storage and mechanical space, and a kitchen in the basement; classrooms, administrative offices, locker rooms, and a gymnasium on the first floor; and classrooms and an auditorium on the second floor. The gym has a narrow, hanging mezzanine originally used for viewing; the access has been restricted as the mezzanine has been deemed unsafe. The exterior walls are URM, while the interior of the building is assumed to be post-and-beam: a number of large wooden posts were observed in the basement.

1.1.1 Building Use

The building serves as the K-5 elementary school for approximately 40 students in the Dixie School District.

1.1.2 Structural System

Table 1.1-1. Structural System Description of Dixie Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	The roof is wood trusses with a wood diaphragm.
Structural Floor(s)	The structural floors are assumed to be wood joists spanning between bearing walls and beams with wood sheathing.
Foundations	The foundations are assumed to be conventional shallow foundations.
Gravity System	The gravity system is URM bearing walls at the exterior and post-and-beam at the interior.
Lateral System	The lateral system is URM shear walls at the exterior of the building.

1.1.3 Structural System Visual Condition

Table 1.1-2. Structural System Condition Description of Dixie Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	Fair. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration; access was limited.
Structural Floor(s)	Good. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Foundations	Unknown. Minor signs of deterioration at southwest corner of building.
Gravity System	Fair. Substantial cracking visible on gymnasium walls; cracks have translated to both in- and outside faces of the wall. Assessment of cracking by a licensed structural engineer is recommended.
Lateral System	Fair. Substantial cracking visible on gym walls. Assessment of cracking by a licensed structural engineer is recommended.

1.2 Seismic Evaluation Findings

1.2.1 Structural Seismic Deficiencies

The structural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation.

Table 1-3. Identified Structural Seismic Deficiencies for Dixie Dixie Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
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The Tier 1 seismic evaluation performed for this school building could not confirm structural seismic deficiencies due to limited access for visual observation and/or lack of existing drawings available for review. Please refer to the next page of this report for the list of structural items marked as “unknown” and commentary indicating the need for further investigation or the likelihood of compliance or non-compliance based on the age of construction.

1.2.2 Structural Checklist Items Marked as 'Unknown'

Where building structural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the structural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown structural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Table 1-4. Identified Structural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Dixie Dixie Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
Load Path	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify; likely noncompliant based on the age of the building.
Mezzanines	Connection of small mezzanine in gym is unknown but likely noncompliant.
Weak Story	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Soft Story	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Vertical Irregularities	No existing drawings to verify, walls appear continuous to foundation.
Geometry	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Mass	No existing drawings to verify.
Torsion	The building is fairly symmetrical; the center of mass is assumed to be relatively similar to the center of rigidity.
Liquefaction	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Moderate to high liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.
Overturning	No existing drawings to verify, but likely noncompliant based on observations. Interior structure appears to be post-and-beam construction, while the exterior structure is comprised largely of small wall piers between banks of windows.
Redundancy	No existing drawings to verify, but likely compliant based on observation.
Shear Stress Check	No existing drawings to verify, but likely noncompliant. Interior structure appears to be post-and-beam construction; exterior structure is largely small wall piers between banks of windows on three sides.
Wall Anchorage	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Wood Ledgers	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Transfer to Shear Walls	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Girder-Column Connection	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Proportions	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Masonry Layup	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Openings at Shear Walls	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Cross Ties	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

Table 1-4. Identified Structural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Dixie Dixie Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
Straight Sheathing	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Spans	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Stiffness of Wall Anchors	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Beam	Girder, and Truss Supports, No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

1.3.1 Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies

The nonstructural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation. Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-5. Identified Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies for Dixie Dixie Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	There are window panes greater than 16 ft ² that do not appear to be laminated.
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The height to width ratio of the chimney extension above the roof could not be measured due to limitations in access, but it appeared to exceed the limit noted.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Some bookshelves and cabinets exceeding this height-to-width ratio were observed and did not appear to be anchored to the structure.

1.3.2 Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as 'U'known

Where building nonstructural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the nonstructural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown nonstructural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-6. Identified Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Dixie Dixie Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of the interior walls could not be observed although, based on the building type it is assumed that all of the URM walls are bearing and/or tied into the floor/roof framing.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of the interior walls could not be observed although, based on the building type it is assumed that all of the URM walls are bearing and/or tied into the floor/roof framing.
C-1 Suspended Lath and Plaster. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	The ceiling details could not be observed, but the ceiling appeared to be direct applied.
PCOA-1 URM Parapets or Cornices. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Building drawings were not available and this configuration could not be observed.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	This condition could not be observed.
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Building drawings were unavailable and this condition could not be observed.
S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Building drawings were unavailable and this condition could not be observed; likely not capable of accommodating drift.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Some contents were observed stored on top of cabinets, but their weights are unknown.
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Items could not be visually verified during site visit.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Items could not be visually verified during site visit.

Photos:



Figure 1-1. Large wood post in basement mechanical room.



Figure 1-2. Basement kitchen area



Figure 1-3. Plaque denoting construction date and historic registry.



Figure 1-4. Stairs from main floor to front entry. Stairwells on either end of building provide access from basement to top floor.



Figure 1-5. View of gymnasium, looking east.



Figure 1-6. View of gymnasium's east wall from mezzanine. It was noted the mezzanine was structurally questionable during visit. Cracks can be seen near far corner of gym.



Figure 1-7. Cracks in the west wall of the gym.



Figure 1-8. West end of the building; doorway and window on far-right side of picture are at stairway.



Figure 1-9. South wall of building at the gym. Some foundation wall deterioration is visible at base of wall.



Figure 1-10. Southeast corner of gym. Cracks matching those inside can be seen near corner.

Dixie, Dixie Elementary School, Main Building

17-2 Collapse Prevention Basic Configuration Checklist

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low Seismicity

Building System - General

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Load Path	The structure contains a complete, well-defined load path, including structural elements and connections, that serves to transfer the inertial forces associated with the mass of all elements of the building to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.10)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify; likely noncompliant based on the age of the building.
Adjacent Buildings	The clear distance between the building being evaluated and any adjacent building is greater than 0.25% of the height of the shorter building in low seismicity, 0.5% in moderate seismicity, and 1.5% in high seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.2)	X				No adjacent structures.
Mezzanines	Interior mezzanine levels are braced independently from the main structure or are anchored to the seismic-force-resisting elements of the main structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.3)				X	Connection of small mezzanine in gym is unknown but likely noncompliant.

Building System - Building Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Weak Story	The sum of the shear strengths of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story in each direction is not less than 80% of the strength in the adjacent story above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.2)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Soft Story	The stiffness of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story is not less than 70% of the seismic-force-resisting system stiffness in an adjacent story above or less than 80% of the average seismic-force-resisting system stiffness of the three stories above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.3)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Vertical Irregularities	All vertical elements in the seismic-force-resisting system are continuous to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.4)				X	No existing drawings to verify, walls appear continuous to foundation.

Geometry	There are no changes in the net horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system of more than 30% in a story relative to adjacent stories, excluding one-story penthouses and mezzanines. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.4; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.5)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but stories appear to be largely the same.
Mass	There is no change in effective mass of more than 50% from one story to the next. Light roofs, penthouses, and mezzanines need not be considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.5; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.6)				X	No existing drawings to verify.
Torsion	The estimated distance between the story center of mass and the story center of rigidity is less than 20% of the building width in either plan dimension. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.6; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.7)				X	The building is fairly symmetrical; the center of mass is assumed to be relatively similar to the center of rigidity.

Moderate Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low Seismicity)

Geologic Site Hazards

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Liquefaction	Liquefaction-susceptible, saturated, loose granular soils that could jeopardize the building's seismic performance do not exist in the foundation soils at depths within 50 ft (15.2 m) under the building. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.1)				X	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Moderate to high liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	The building site is located away from potential earthquake-induced slope failures or rockfalls so that it is unaffected by such failures or is capable of accommodating any predicted movements without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.2)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Surface fault rupture and surface displacement at the building site are not anticipated. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.3)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.

High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Foundation Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Overturning	The ratio of the least horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system at the foundation level to the building height (base/height) is greater than 0.6Sa. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.1)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but likely noncompliant based on observations. Interior structure appears to be post-and-beam construction, while the exterior structure is comprised largely of small wall piers between banks of windows.
Ties Between Foundation Elements	The foundation has ties adequate to resist seismic forces where footings, piles, and piers are not restrained by beams, slabs, or soils classified as Site Class A, B, or C. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.4; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.2)	X				Slab-on-grade present.

17-36 Collapse Prevention Structural Checklist for Building Types URM and URMa

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low and Moderate Seismicity

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Redundancy	The number of lines of shear walls in each principal direction is greater than or equal to 2. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.1.1)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but likely compliant based on observation.
Shear Stress Check	The shear stress in the unreinforced masonry shear walls, calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.3, is less than 30 lb/in.2 (0.21 MPa) for clay units and 70 lb/in.2 (0.48 MPa) for concrete units. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.1)				X	No existing drawings to verify, but likely noncompliant. Interior structure appears to be post-and-beam construction; exterior structure is largely small wall piers between banks of windows on three sides.

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Wall Anchorage	Exterior concrete or masonry walls that are dependent on the diaphragm for lateral support are anchored for out-of-plane forces at each diaphragm level with steel anchors, reinforcing dowels, or straps that are developed into the diaphragm. Connections have strength to resist the connection force calculated in the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.7. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.1)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Wood Ledgers	The connection between the wall panels and the diaphragm does not induce cross-grain bending or tension in the wood ledgers. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.2)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Transfer to Shear Walls	Diaphragms are connected for transfer of seismic forces to the shear walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.2.1)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Girder-Column Connection	There is a positive connection using plates, connection hardware, or straps between the girder and the column support. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.1)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Proportions	The height-to-thickness ratio of the shear walls at each story is less than the following: Top story of multi-story building – 9; First story of multi-story building – 15; All other conditions – 13. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.2)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Masonry Layup	Filled collar joints of multi-wythe masonry walls have negligible voids. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.3)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

Diaphragms (Stiff or Flexible)

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Openings at Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to the shear walls are less than 25% of the wall length. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.4)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to exterior masonry shear walls are not greater than 8 ft (2.4 m) long. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.6)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

Flexible Diaphragms

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Cross Ties	There are continuous cross ties between diaphragm chords. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.2)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Straight Sheathing	All straight-sheathed diaphragms have aspect ratios less than 2-to-1 in the direction being considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.1)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Spans	All wood diaphragms with spans greater than 24 ft (7.3 m) consist of wood structural panels or diagonal sheathing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.2)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	All diagonally sheathed or unblocked wood structural panel diaphragms have horizontal spans less than 40 ft (12.2 m) and aspect ratios less than or equal to 4 to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.3)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify diaphragm type.
Other Diaphragms	The diaphragms do not consist of a system other than wood, metal deck, concrete, or horizontal bracing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.4.7.1)	X				

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
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Stiffness of Wall Anchors	Anchors of concrete or masonry walls to wood structural elements are installed taut and are stiff enough to limit the relative movement between the wall and the diaphragm to no greater than 1/8 in. before engagement of the anchors. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.4)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.
Beam, Girder, and Truss Supports	Beams, girders, and trusses supported by unreinforced masonry walls or pilasters have independent secondary columns for support of vertical loads. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.4; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.5)				X	No existing drawings and inadequate access to verify.

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Notes:

C = Compliant, NC = Noncompliant, N/A = Not Applicable, and U = Unknown.

Performance Level: HR = Hazards Reduced, LS = Life Safety, and PR = Position Retention.

Level of Seismicity: L = Low, M = Moderate, and H = High

Life Safety Systems

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping is anchored and braced in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.1)			X		The building does not have a fire suppression system.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping has flexible couplings in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)			X		The building does not have a fire suppression system.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment used to power or control Life Safety systems is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.1)			X		The building does not have emergency power.
LSS-4 Stair and Smoke Ducts. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Stair pressurization and smoke control ducts are braced and have flexible connections at seismic joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.1)			X		The stairs are open, pressurization and smoke duct controls are not present.
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Penetrations through panelized ceilings for fire suppression devices provide clearances in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)			X		The building does not have a fire suppression system.
LSS-6 Emergency Lighting. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-LMH	Emergency and egress lighting equipment is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.1)			X		

Hazardous Materials

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
HM-1 Hazardous Material Equipment. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators and containing hazardous material is equipped with restraints or snubbers. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.2)			X		No hazardous material was observed.
HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Breakable containers that hold hazardous material, including gas cylinders, are restrained by latched doors, shelf lips, wires, or other methods. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.3; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.1)			X		No hazardous material was observed.
HM-3 Hazardous Material Distribution. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials is braced or otherwise protected from damage that would allow hazardous material release. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		No hazardous material was observed.

HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping containing hazardous material, including natural gas, has shutoff valves or other devices to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)			X		No hazardous material was observed.
HM-5 Flexible Couplings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hazardous material ductwork and piping, including natural gas piping, have flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.4)			X		No hazardous material was observed.
HM-6 Piping or Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork carrying hazardous material that either crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5, 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		No hazardous material was observed.

Partitions

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are braced at a spacing of at most 10 ft (3.0 m) in Low or Moderate Seismicity, or at most 6 ft (1.8 m) in High Seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.1)				X	The tops of the interior walls could not be observed although, based on the building type it is assumed that all of the URM walls are bearing and/or tied into the floor/roof framing.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)				X	The tops of the interior walls could not be observed although, based on the building type it is assumed that all of the URM walls are bearing and/or tied into the floor/roof framing.
P-3 Drift. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Rigid cementitious partitions are detailed to accommodate the following drift ratios: in steel moment frame, concrete moment frame, and wood frame buildings, 0.02; in other buildings, 0.005. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.2)			X		No rigid cementitious partitions were observed.
P-4 Light Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of gypsum board partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)			X		
P-5 Structural Separations. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Partitions that cross structural separations have seismic or control joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.3)			X		

P-6 Tops. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of ceiling-high framed or panelized partitions have lateral bracing to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.4)			X		
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Ceilings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
C-1 Suspended Lath and Plaster. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended lath and plaster ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)				X	The ceiling details could not be observed, but the ceiling appeared to be direct applied.
C-2 Suspended Gypsum Board. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended gypsum board ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		Suspended gypsum board ceilings were not observed.
C-3 Integrated Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) and ceilings of smaller areas that are not surrounded by restraining partitions are laterally restrained at a spacing no greater than 12 ft (3.6 m) with members attached to the structure above. Each restraint location has a minimum of four diagonal wires and compression struts, or diagonal members capable of resisting compression. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.2)			X		
C-4 Edge Clearance. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) have clearances from the enclosing wall or partition of at least the following: in Moderate Seismicity, 1/2 in. (13 mm); in High Seismicity, 3/4 in. (19 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.4)			X		
C-5 Continuity Across Structure Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The ceiling system does not cross any seismic joint and is not attached to multiple independent structures. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.5)			X		
C-6 Edge Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) are supported by closure angles or channels not less than 2 in. (51 mm) wide. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4 ; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.6)			X		
C-7 Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings have seismic separation joints such that each continuous portion of the ceiling is no more than 2,500 ft ² (232.3 m ²) and has a ratio of long-to-short dimension no more than 4-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.7)			X		

Light Fixtures

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Light fixtures that weigh more per square foot than the ceiling they penetrate are supported independent of the grid ceiling suspension system by a minimum of two wires at diagonally opposite corners of each fixture. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4, 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.2)			X		Light fixtures that weigh more per square foot than the ceiling they penetrate were not observed.
LF-2 Pendant Supports. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Light fixtures on pendant supports are attached at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft. Unbraced suspended fixtures are free to allow a 360-degree range of motion at an angle not less than 45 degrees from horizontal without contacting adjacent components. Alternatively, if rigidly supported and/or braced, they are free to move with the structure to which they are attached without damaging adjoining components. Additionally, the connection to the structure is capable of accommodating the movement without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.3)			X		
LF-3 Lens Covers. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Lens covers on light fixtures are attached with safety devices. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.4)			X		

Cladding and Glazing

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CG-1 Cladding Anchors. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding components weighing more than 10 lb/ft ² (0.48 kN/m ²) are mechanically anchored to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 ft (1.2 m) (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.1)			X		Heavy cladding components were not observed on the building.
CG-2 Cladding Isolation. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For steel or concrete moment-frame buildings, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.3)			X		The building does not have any steel or concrete moment-frames.

CG-3 Multi-Story Panels. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For multi-story panels attached at more than one floor level, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.4)			X		The building does not have any multi-story panels.
CG-4 Threaded Rods. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Threaded rods for panel connections detailed to accommodate drift by bending of the rod have a length-to-diameter ratio greater than 0.06 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity and 0.12 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in High Seismicity and Position Retention in any seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.9)			X		The building does not have any panel connections.
CG-5 Panel Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding panels are anchored out of plane with a minimum number of connections for each wall panel, as follows: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 2 connections; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.5)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-6 Bearing Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where bearing connections are used, there is a minimum of two bearing connections for each cladding panel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.6)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-7 Inserts. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where concrete cladding components use inserts, the inserts have positive anchorage or are anchored to reinforcing steel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.7)			X		The building does not have concrete cladding panels.
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Glazing panes of any size in curtain walls and individual interior or exterior panes more than 16 ft ² (1.5 m ²) in area are laminated annealed or laminated heat-strengthened glass and are detailed to remain in the frame when cracked. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.8)		X			There are window panes greater than 16 ft ² that do not appear to be laminated.

Masonry Veneer

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
M-1 Ties. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is connected to the backup with corrosion-resistant ties. There is a minimum of one tie for every 2-2/3 ft ² (0.25 m ²), and the ties have spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 36 in. (914 mm); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 24 in. (610 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.1)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-2 Shelf Angles. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is supported by shelf angles or other elements at each floor above the ground floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.2)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-3 Weakened Planes. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is anchored to the backup adjacent to weakened planes, such as at the locations of flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.3)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	There is no unreinforced masonry backup. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.2)			X		There is no unreinforced masonry backup in this building.
M-5 Stud Tracks. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with coldformed steel stud backup, stud tracks are fastened to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 24 in. (610 mm) on center. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-6 Anchorage. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with concrete block or masonry backup, the backup is positively anchored to the structure at a horizontal spacing equal to or less than 4 ft along the floors and roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.1)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-7 Weep Holes. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	In veneer anchored to stud walls, the veneer has functioning weep holes and base flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.6)			X		
M-8 Openings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	For veneer with cold-formed-steel stud backup, steel studs frame window and door openings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.2)			X		

Parapets, Cornices, Ornamentation, and Appendages

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PCOA-1 URM Parapets or Cornices. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Laterally unsupported unreinforced masonry parapets or cornices have height-to-thickness ratios no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 2.5; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 1.5. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.1)				X	Building drawings were not available and this configuration could not be observed.

PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Canopies at building exits are anchored to the structure at a spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 10 ft (3.0 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.2)			X		No canopies were observed.
PCOA-3 Concrete Parapets. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Concrete parapets with height-to-thickness ratios greater than 2.5 have vertical reinforcement. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.3)			X		Based on the building type it is unlikely that there are concrete parapets on this building.
PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Cornices, parapets, signs, and other ornamentation or appendages that extend above the highest point of anchorage to the structure or cantilever from components are reinforced and anchored to the structural system at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). This evaluation statement item does not apply to parapets or cornices covered by other evaluation statements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.4)			X		These types of elements were not observed on this building.

Masonry Chimneys

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry chimneys extend above the roof surface no more than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 3 times the least dimension of the chimney; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 2 times the least dimension of the chimney. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.1)		X			The height to width ratio of the chimney extension above the roof could not be measured due to limitations in access, but it appeared to exceed the limit noted.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry chimneys are anchored at each floor level, at the topmost ceiling level, and at the roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.2)				X	This condition could not be observed.

Stairs

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hollow-clay tile or unreinforced masonry walls around stair enclosures are restrained out of plane and have height-to-thickness ratios not greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 15-to-1; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 12-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2, 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.1)				X	Building drawings were unavailable and this condition could not be observed.

S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The connection between the stairs and the structure does not rely on post-installed anchors in concrete or masonry, and the stair details are capable of accommodating the drift calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.1 for moment-frame structures or 0.5 in. for all other structures without including any lateral stiffness contribution from the stairs. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.2)				X	Building drawings were unavailable and this condition could not be observed; likely not capable of accommodating drift.
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Contents and Furnishings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CF-1 Industrial Storage Racks. HR-LMH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Industrial storage racks or pallet racks more than 12 ft high meet the requirements of ANSI/RMI MH 16.1 as modified by ASCE 7, Chapter 15. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.1)			X		No industrial storage racks of this type were observed.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Contents more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 are anchored to the structure or to each other. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.2)		X			Some bookshelves and cabinets exceeding this height-to-width ratio were observed and did not appear to be anchored to the structure.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment, stored items, or other contents weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level are braced or otherwise restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.3)				X	Some contents were observed stored on top of cabinets, but their weights are unknown.
CF-4 Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Access floors more than 9 in. (229 mm) high are braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.4)			X		
CF-5 Equipment on Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Equipment and other contents supported by access floor systems are anchored or braced to the structure independent of the access floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.5)			X		
CF-6 Suspended Contents. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Items suspended without lateral bracing are free to swing from or move with the structure from which they are suspended without damaging themselves or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.6)			X		

Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level, and which is not in-line equipment, is braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.4)				X	Items could not be visually verified during site visit.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb (34.0 kg), is supported and laterally braced independent of the duct or piping system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.5)				X	Items could not be visually verified during site visit.
ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Equipment more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 is anchored to the floor slab or adjacent structural walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.6)			X		Equipment of this type was not observed during the visit.
ME-4 Mechanical Doors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Mechanically operated doors are detailed to operate at a story drift ratio of 0.01. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.7)			X		
ME-5 Suspended Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment suspended without lateral bracing is free to swing from or move with the structure from which it is suspended without damaging itself or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.8)			X		
ME-6 Vibration Isolators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators is equipped with horizontal restraints or snubbers and with vertical restraints to resist overturning. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.9)			X		
ME-7 Heavy Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Floor supported or platform-supported equipment weighing more than 400 lb (181.4 kg) is anchored to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.10)			X		
ME-8 Electrical Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Electrical equipment is laterally braced to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.11)			X		
ME-9 Conduit Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Conduit greater than 2.5 in. (64 mm) trade size that is attached to panels, cabinets, or other equipment and is subject to relative seismic displacement has flexible couplings or connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.12)			X		

Piping

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PP-1 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping has flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)			X		

PP-2 Fluid and Gas Piping. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping is anchored and braced to the structure to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		
PP-3 C-Clamps. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	One-sided C-clamps that support piping larger than 2.5 in. (64 mm) in diameter are restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.5)			X		
PP-4 Piping Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Piping that crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		

Ducts

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
D-1 Duct Bracing. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Rectangular ductwork larger than 6 ft ² (0.56 m ²) in cross-sectional area and round ducts larger than 28 in. (711 mm) in diameter are braced. The maximum spacing of transverse bracing does not exceed 30 ft (9.2 m). The maximum spacing of longitudinal bracing does not exceed 60 ft (18.3 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.2)			X		
D-2 Duct Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts are not supported by piping or electrical conduit. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.3)			X		
D-3 Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts that cross seismic joints or isolation planes or are connected to independent structures have couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.4)			X		

Elevators

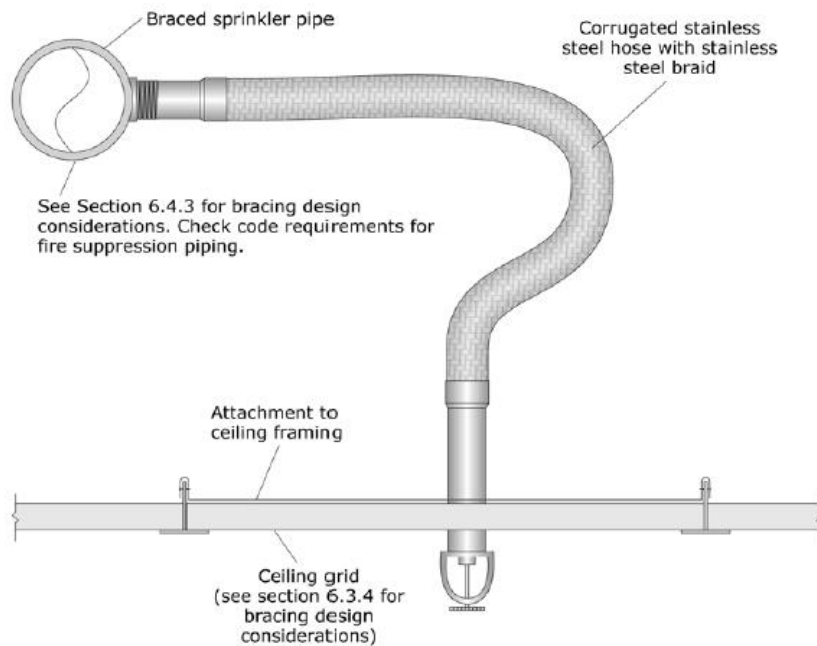
EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Sheaves and drums have cable retainer guards. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.1)			X		The building does not have any elevators.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	A retainer plate is present at the top and bottom of both car and counterweight. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.2)			X		The building does not have any elevators.
EL-3 Elevator Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment, piping, and other components that are part of the elevator system are anchored. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.3)			X		

EL-4 Seismic Switch. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevators capable of operating at speeds of 150 ft/min or faster are equipped with seismic switches that meet the requirements of ASME A17.1 or have trigger levels set to 20% of the acceleration of gravity at the base of the structure and 50% of the acceleration of gravity in other locations. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.4)			X		
EL-5 Shaft Walls. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevator shaft walls are anchored and reinforced to prevent toppling into the shaft during strong shaking. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.5)			X		
EL-6 Counterweight Rails. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	All counterweight rails and divider beams are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.6)			X		
EL-7 Brackets. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The brackets that tie the car rails and the counterweight rail to the structure are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.7)			X		
EL-8 Spreader Bracket. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Spreader brackets are not used to resist seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.8)			X		
EL-9 Go-Slow Elevators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The building has a go-slow elevator system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.9)			X		

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Life Safety Systems



Note: for seismic design category D, E & F, the flexible sprinkler hose fitting must accommodate at least 1" of ceiling movement without use of an oversized opening. Alternatively, the sprinkler head must have a 2" oversize ring or adapter that allows 1" movement in all directions.

Figure G-1. Flexible Sprinkler Drop.

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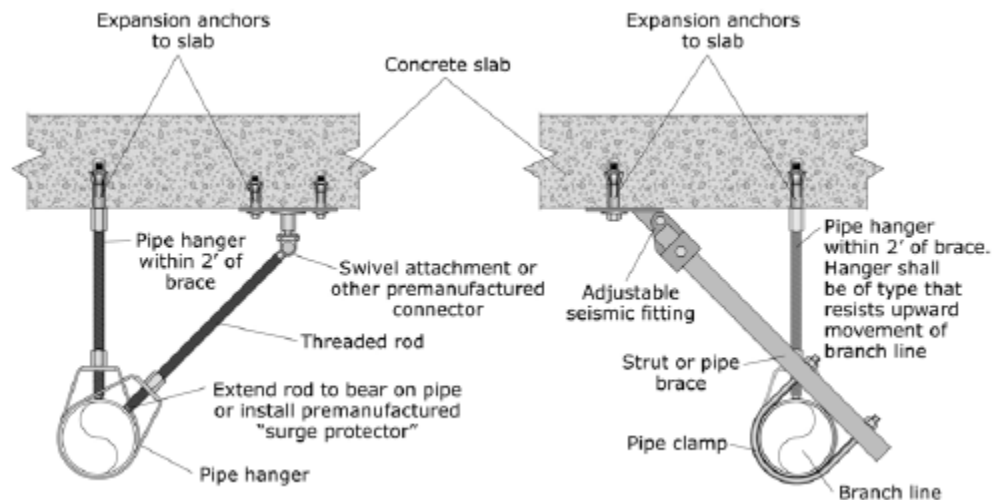


Figure G-2. End of Line Restraint.

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Partitions

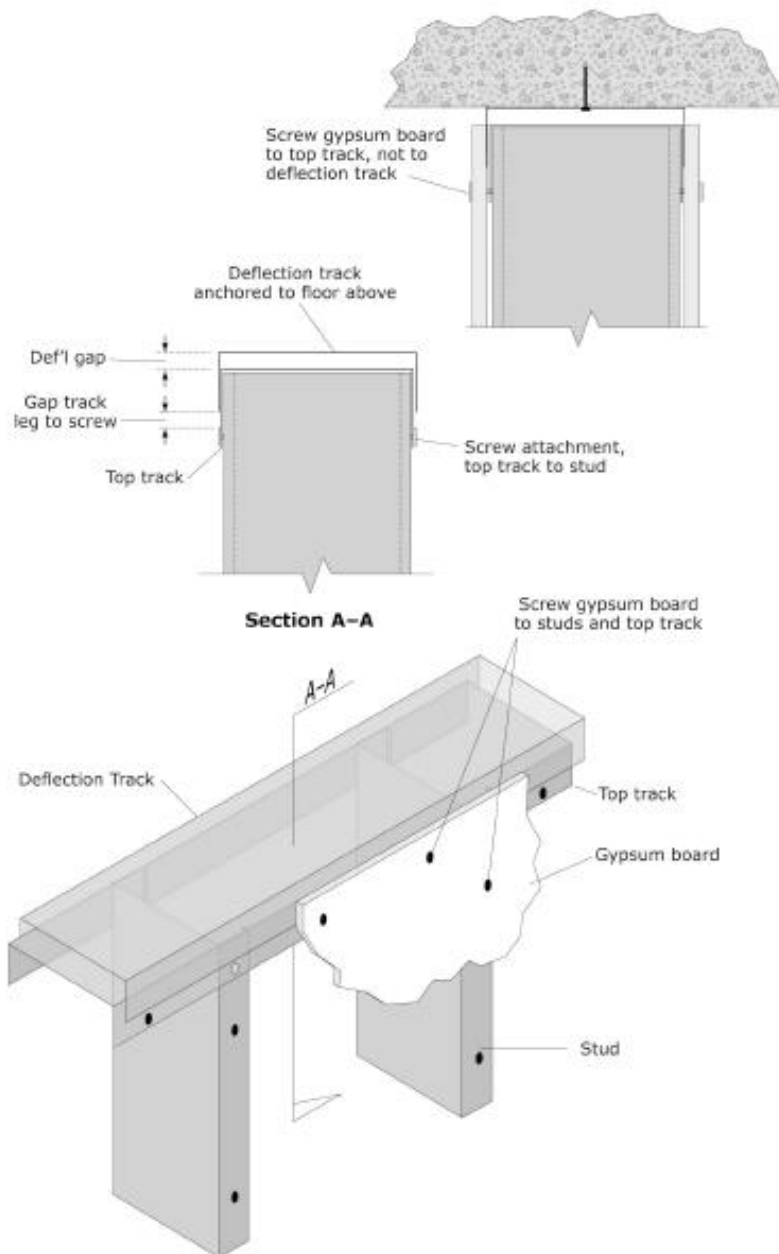


Figure G-3. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partitions Walls.
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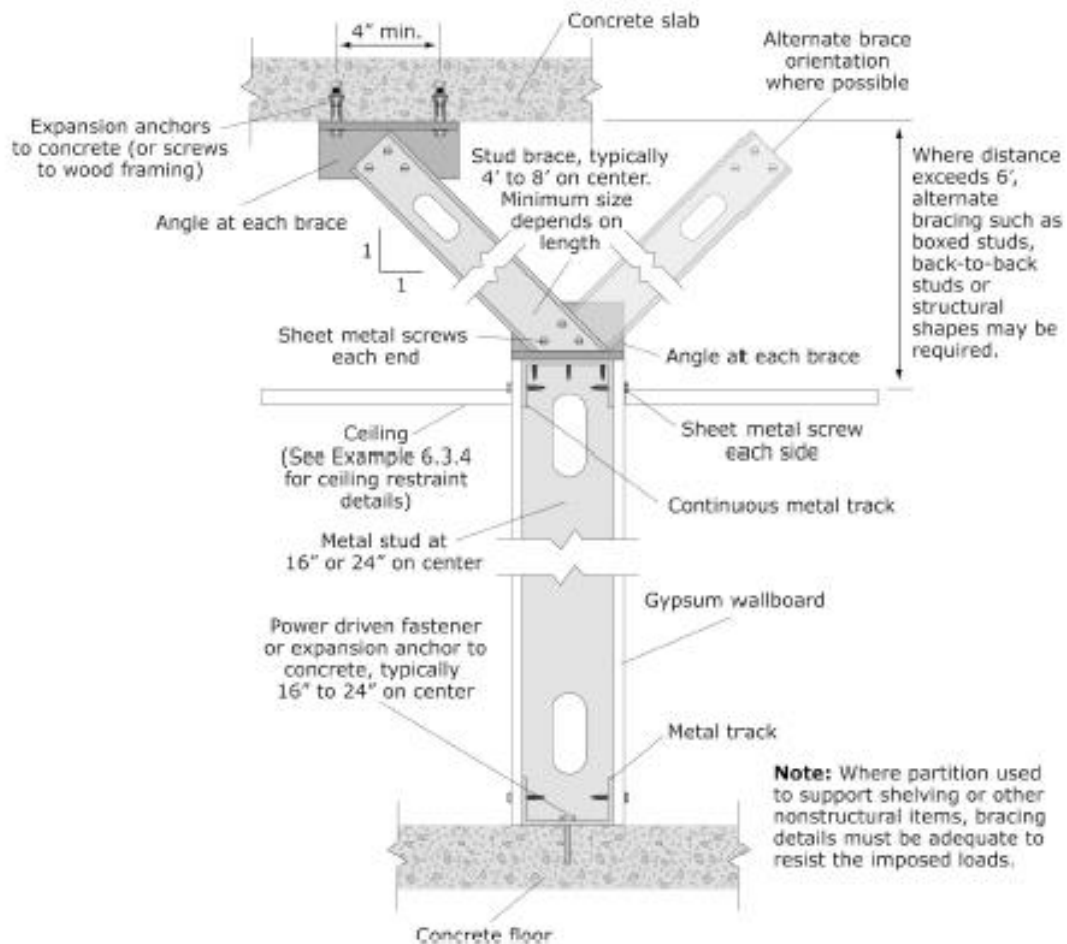


Figure G-4. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partition Walls.
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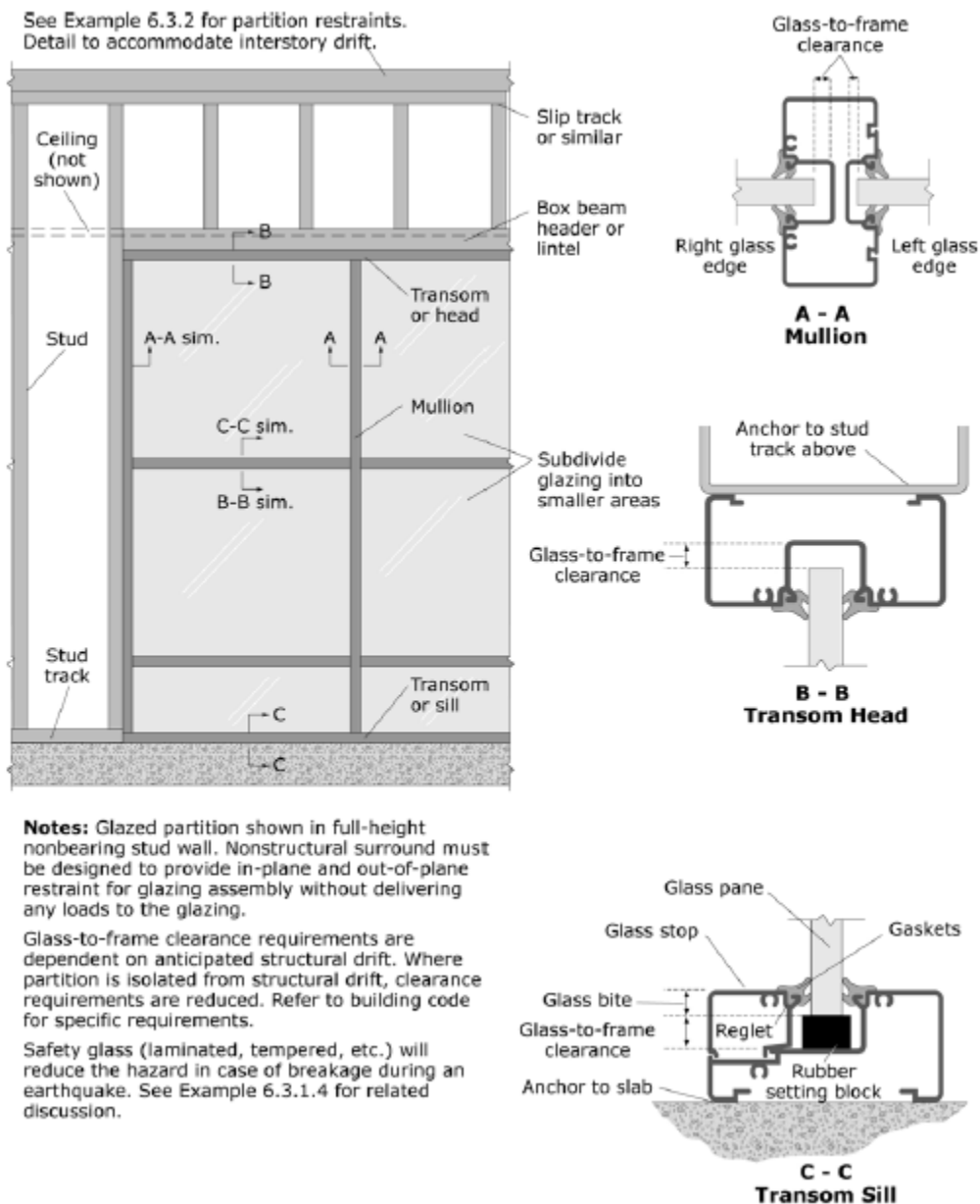


Figure G-5. Full-height Glazed Partition.

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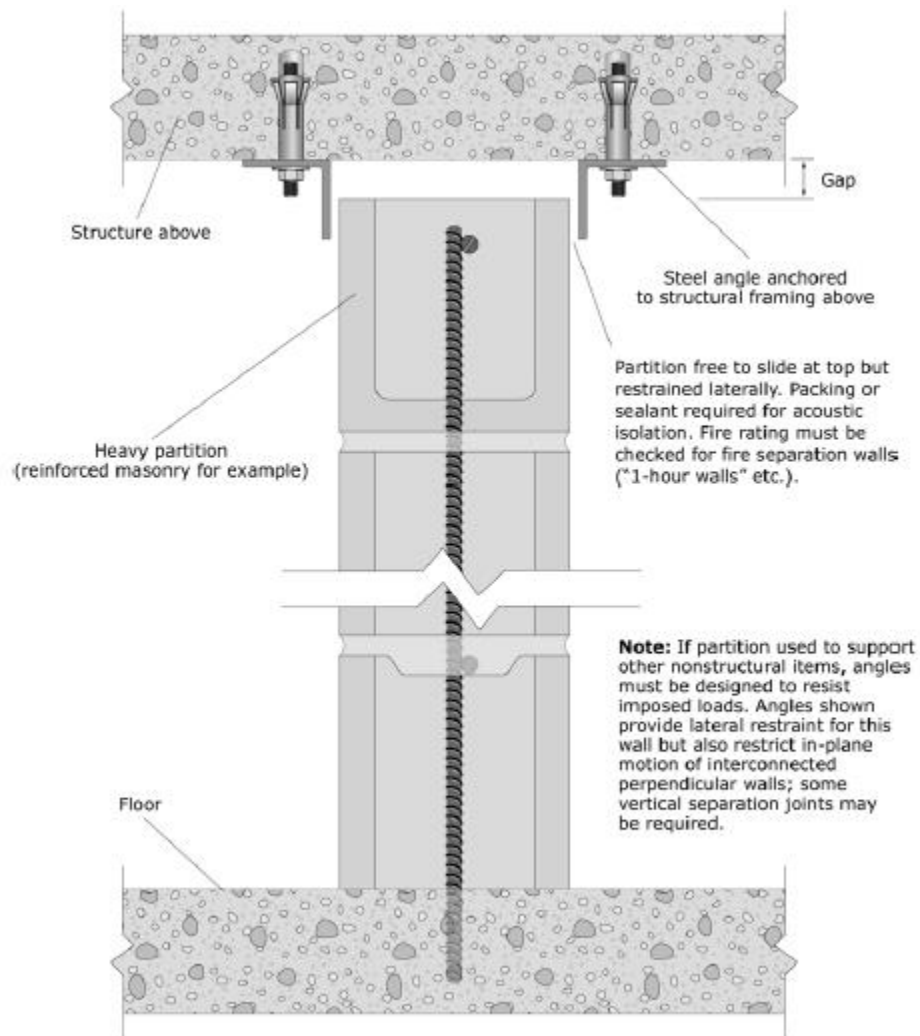


Figure G-6. Full-height Heavy Partition.
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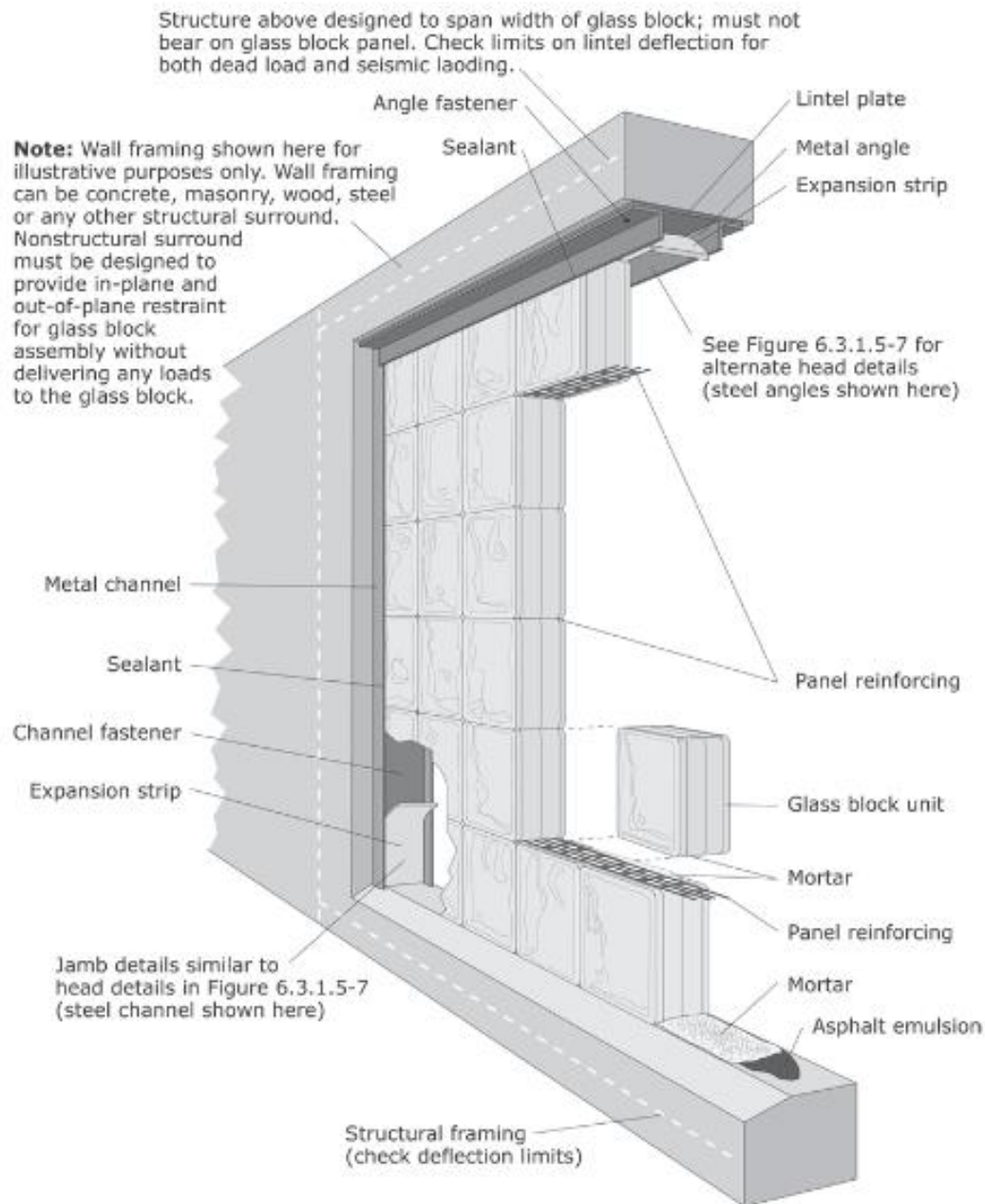
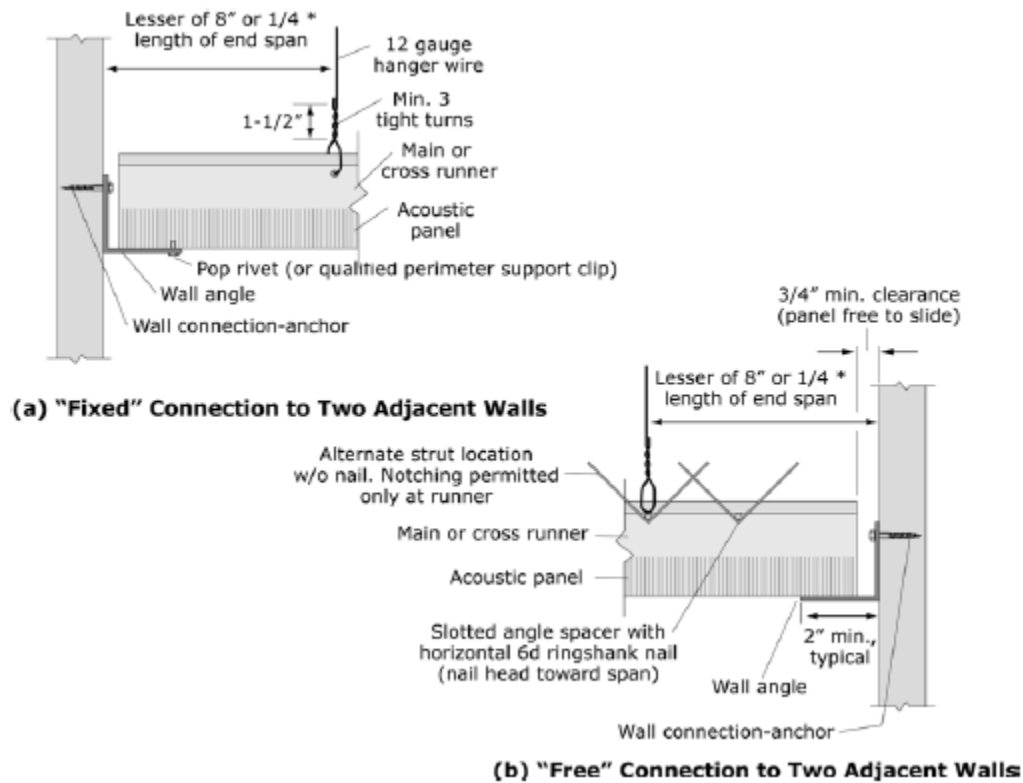
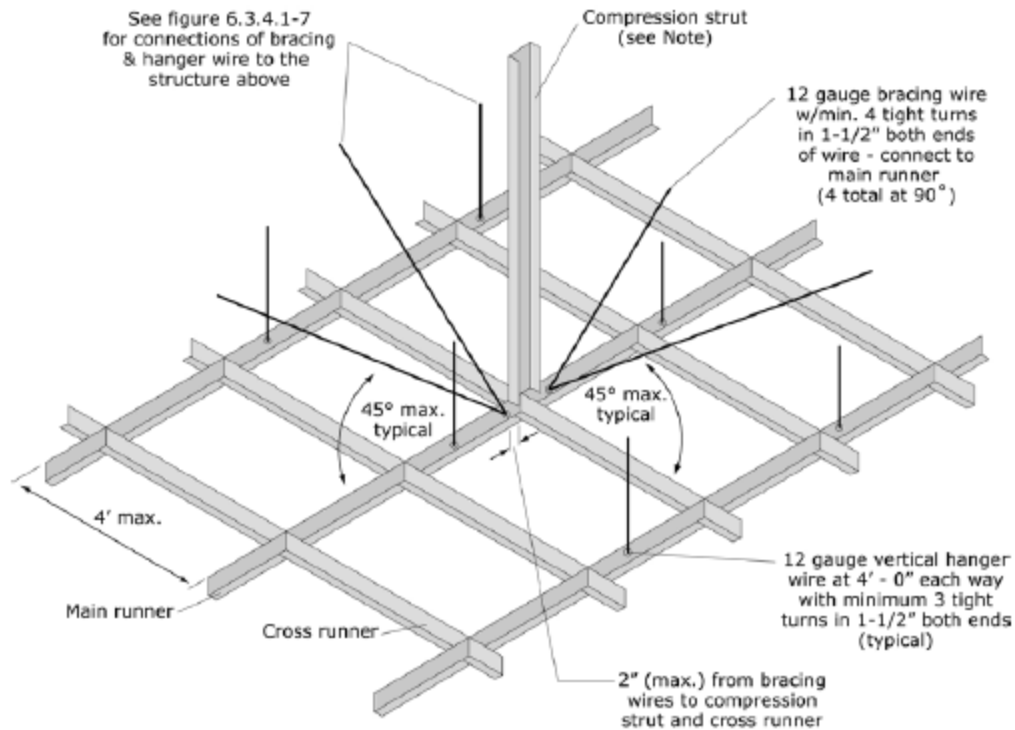


Figure G-7. Typical Glass Block Panel Details.
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Note: Compression strut shall not replace hanger wire. Compression strut consists of a steel section attached to main runner with 2 - #12 sheet metal screws and to structure with 2 - #12 screws to wood or 1/4" min. expansion anchor to structure. Size of strut is dependent on distance between ceiling and structure ($l/r \leq 200$). A 1" diameter conduit can be used for up to 6'; a 1-5/8" X 1-1/4" metal stud can be used for up to 10'

Per DSA IR 25-5, ceiling areas less than 144 sq. ft. or fire rated ceilings less than 96 sq. ft., surrounded by walls braced to the structure above do not require lateral bracing assemblies when they are attached to two adjacent walls. (ASTM E580 does not require lateral bracing assemblies for ceilings less than 1000 sq. ft.; see text.)

Figure G-9. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Assembly.
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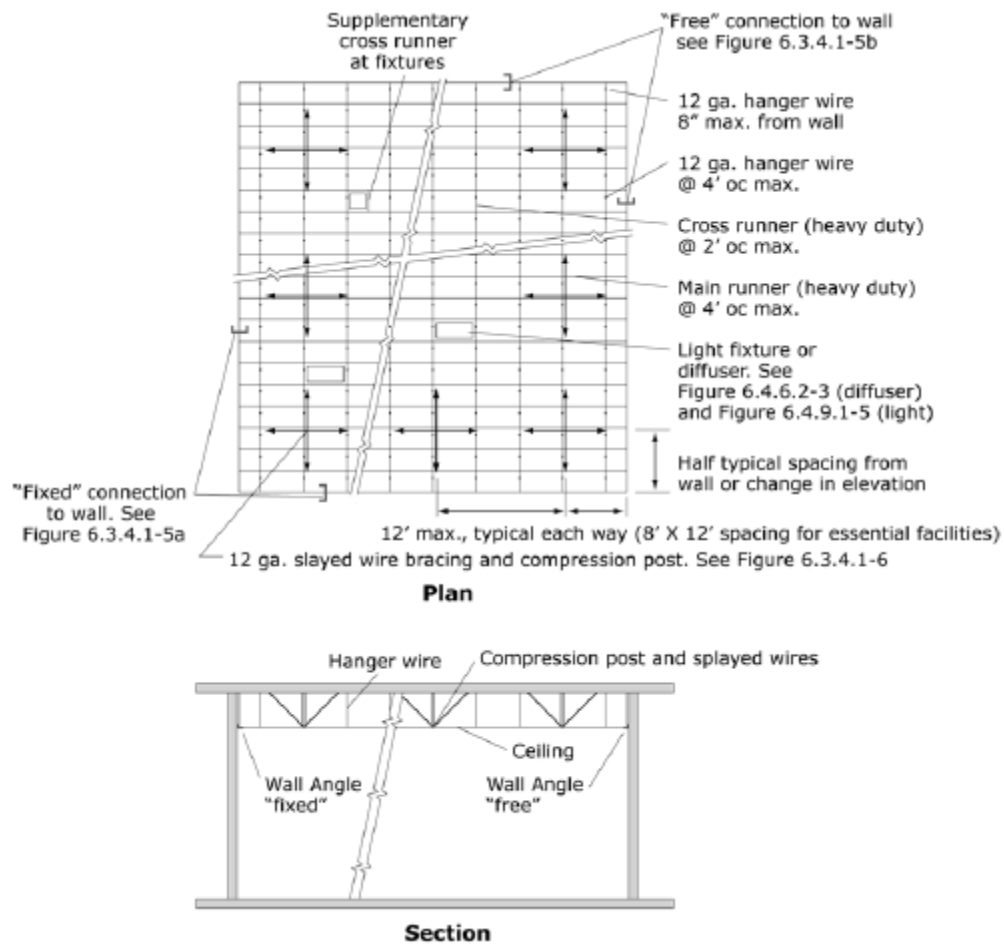


Figure G-10. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Layout.
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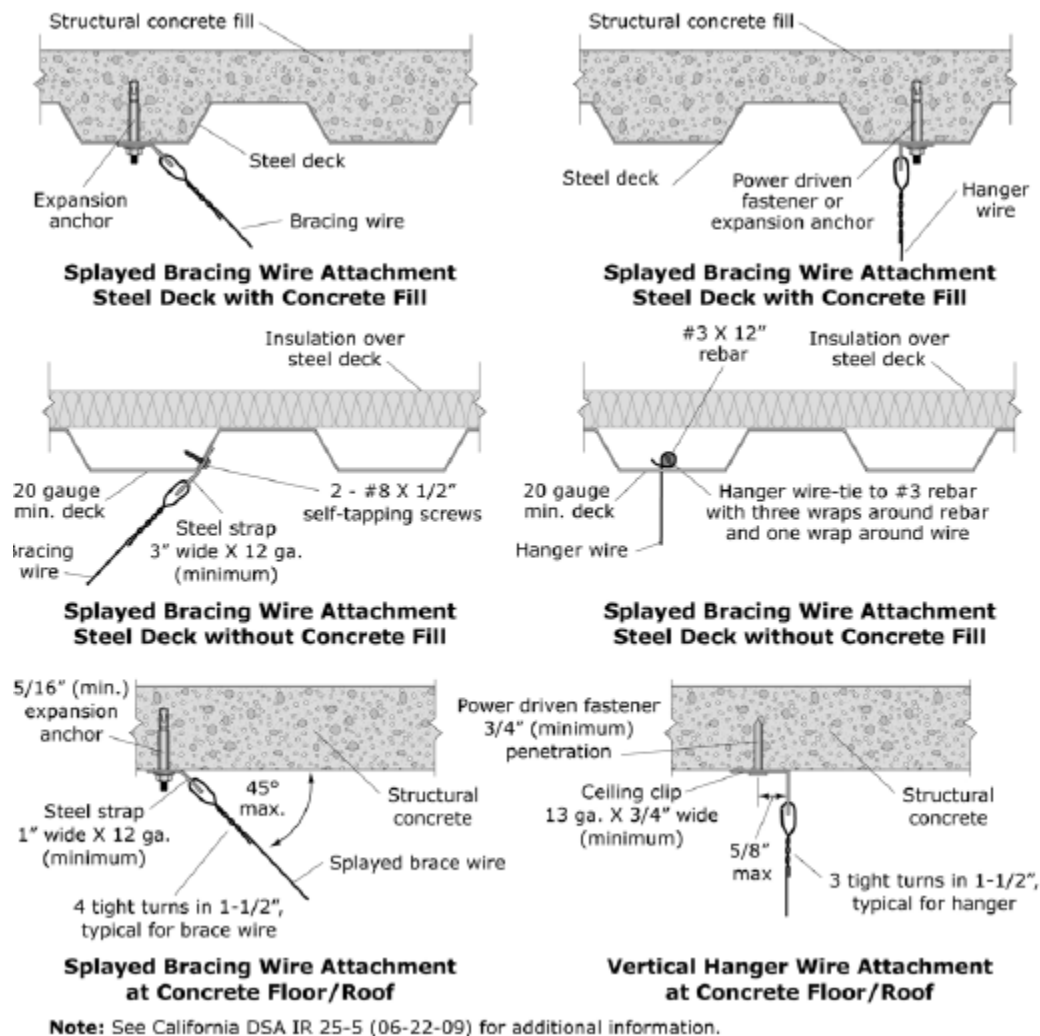
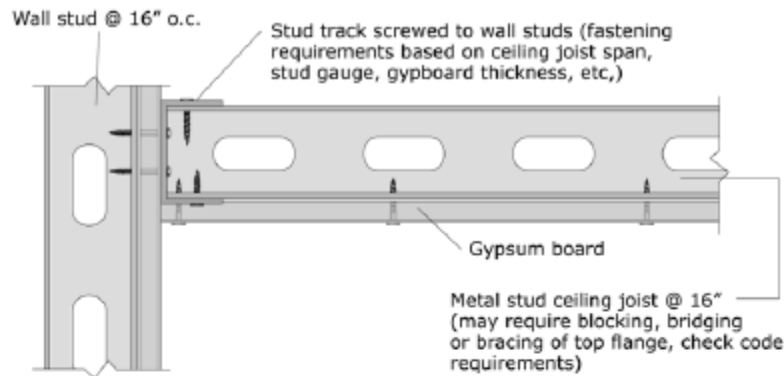
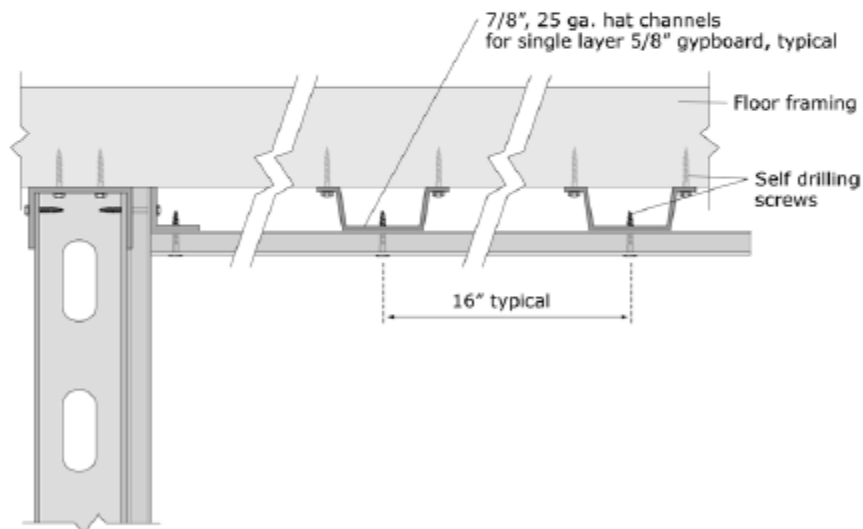


Figure G-11. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – Overhead Attachment Details.

(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



a) Gypsum board attached directly to ceiling joists



b) Gypsum board attached directly to furring strips (hat channel or similar)

Note: Commonly used details shown; no special seismic details are required as long as furring and gypboard secured. Check for certified assemblies (UL listed, FM approved, etc.) if fire or sound rating required.

Figure G-12. Gypsum Board Ceiling Applied Directly to Structure.
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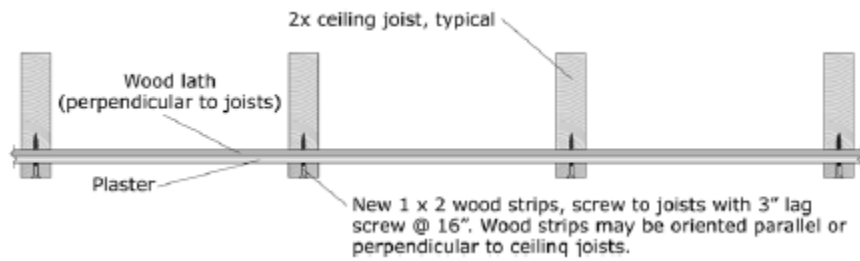


Figure G-13. Retrofit Detail for Existing Lath and Plaster.
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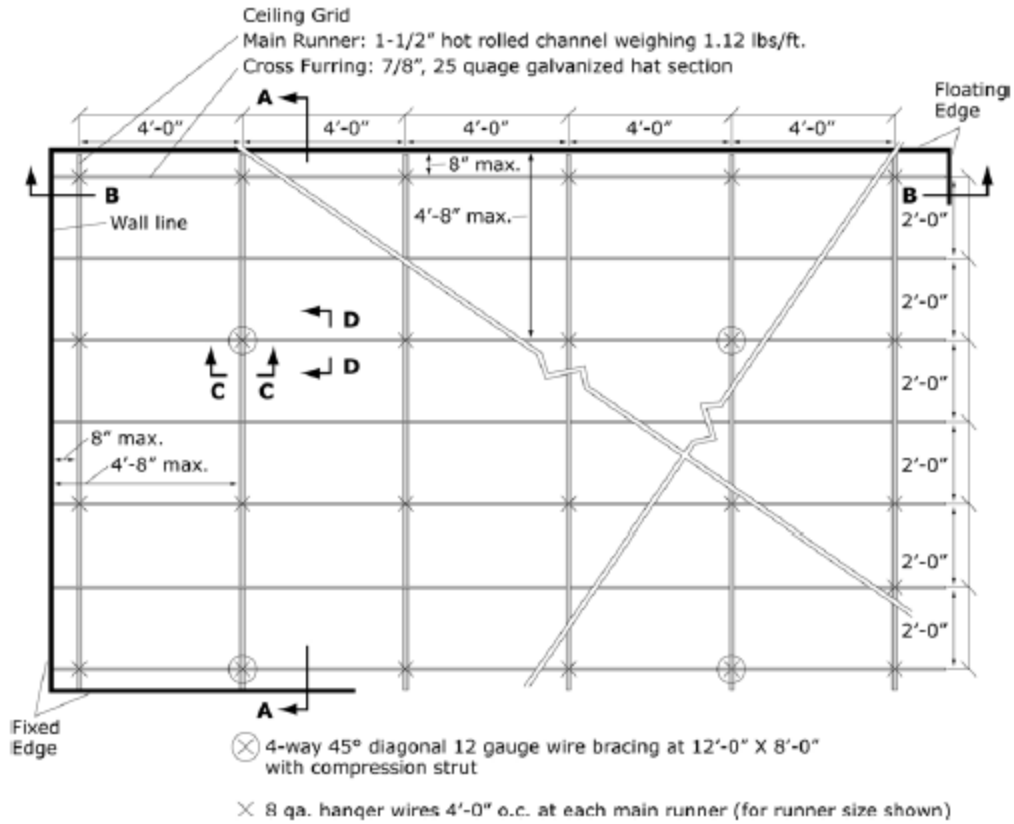
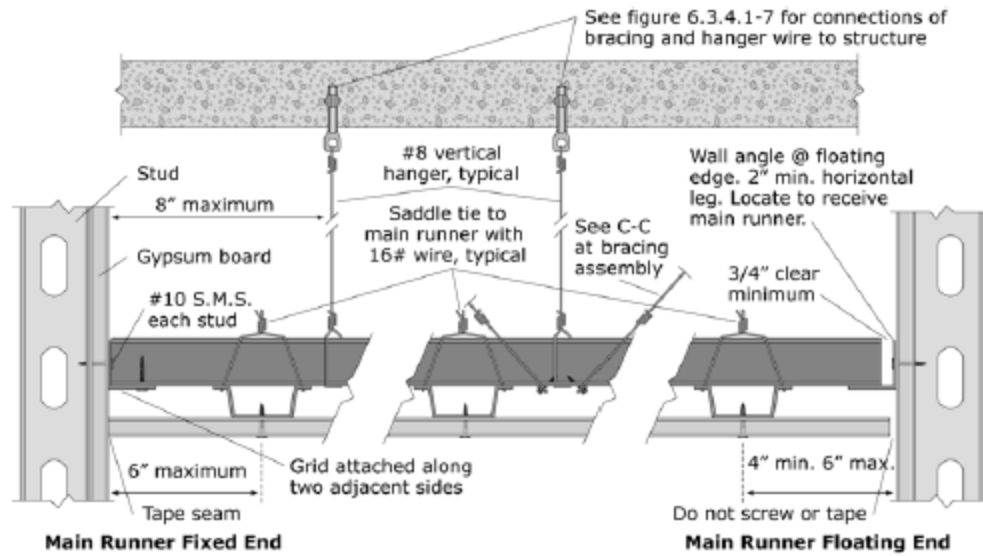
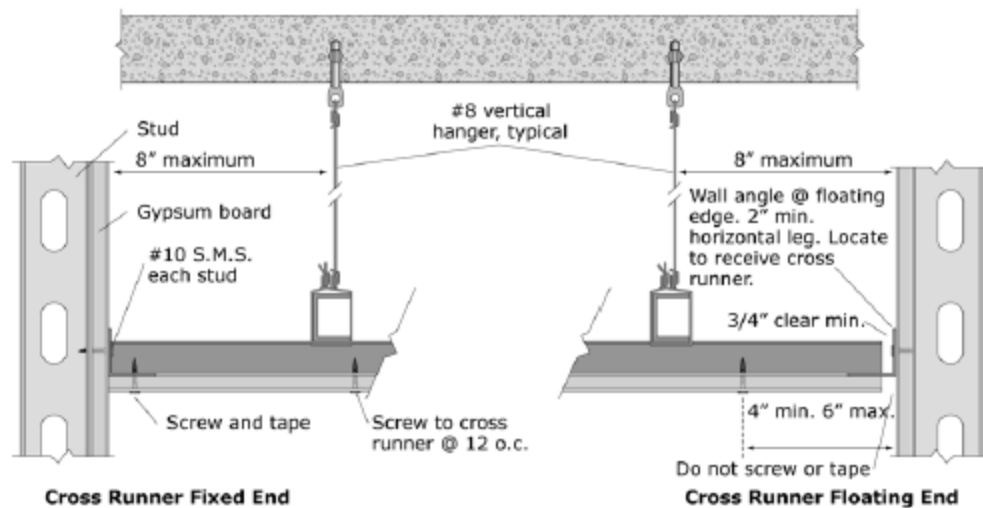


Figure G-14. Diagrammatic View of Suspended Heavy Ceiling Grid and Lateral Bracing.
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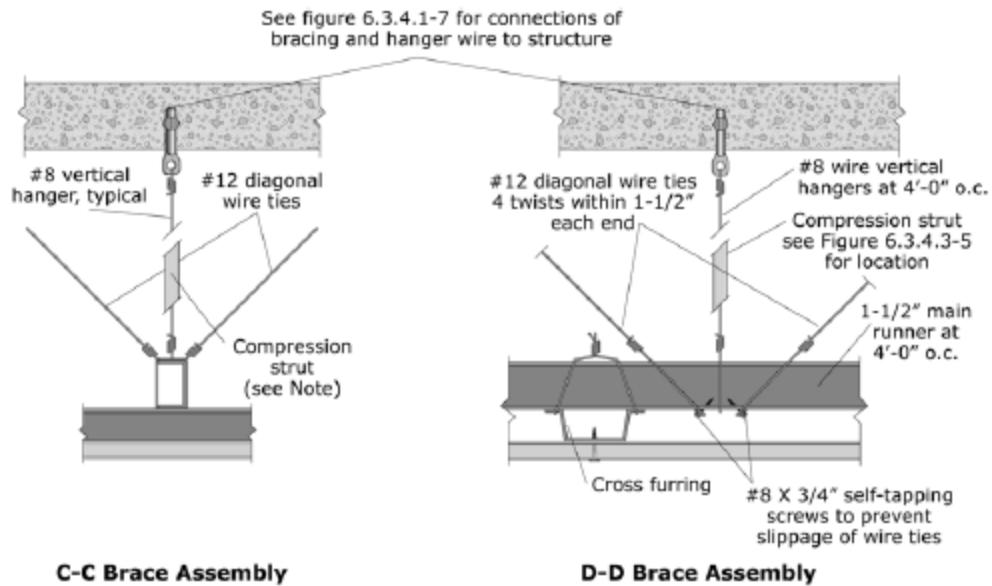


A-A Main Runner at Perimeter



B-B Cross Runner at Perimeter

Figure G-15. Perimeter Details for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Figure G-16. Details for Lateral Bracing Assembly for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Light Fixtures

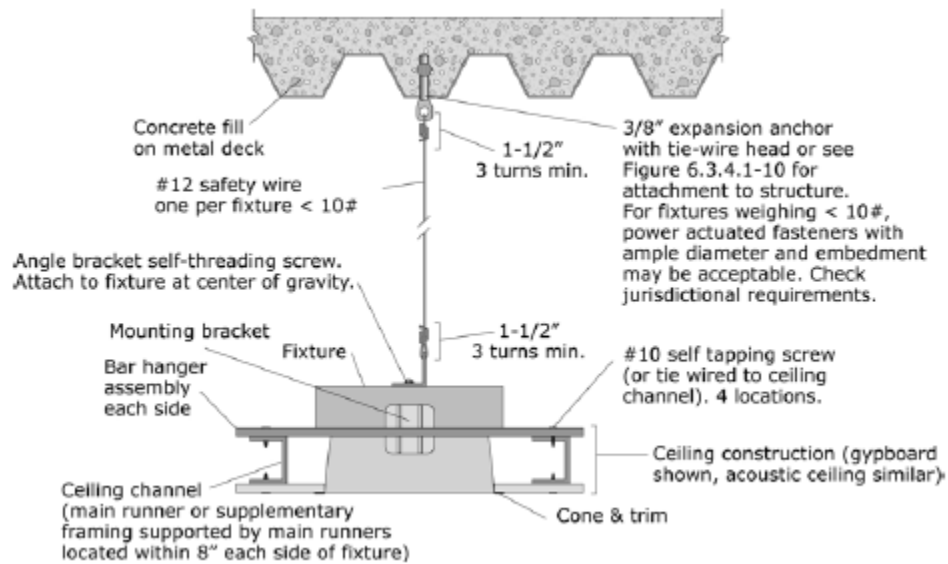


Figure G-17. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight < 10 pounds).
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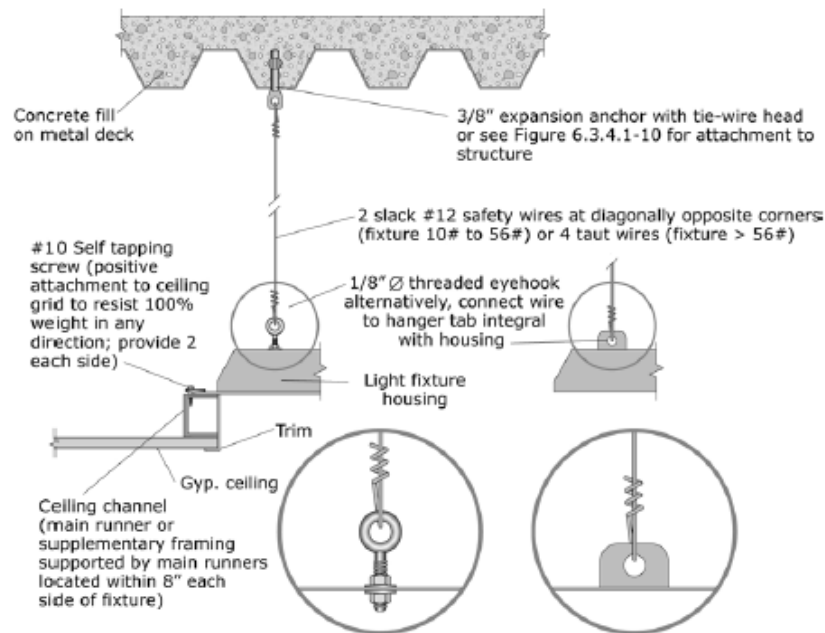


Figure G-18. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight 10 to 56 pounds).
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Contents and Furnishings

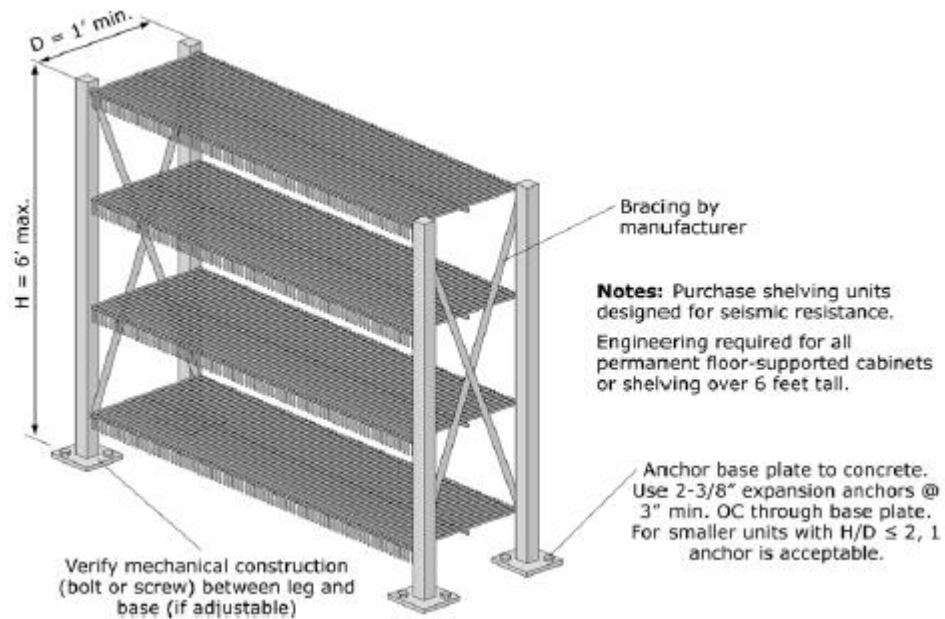
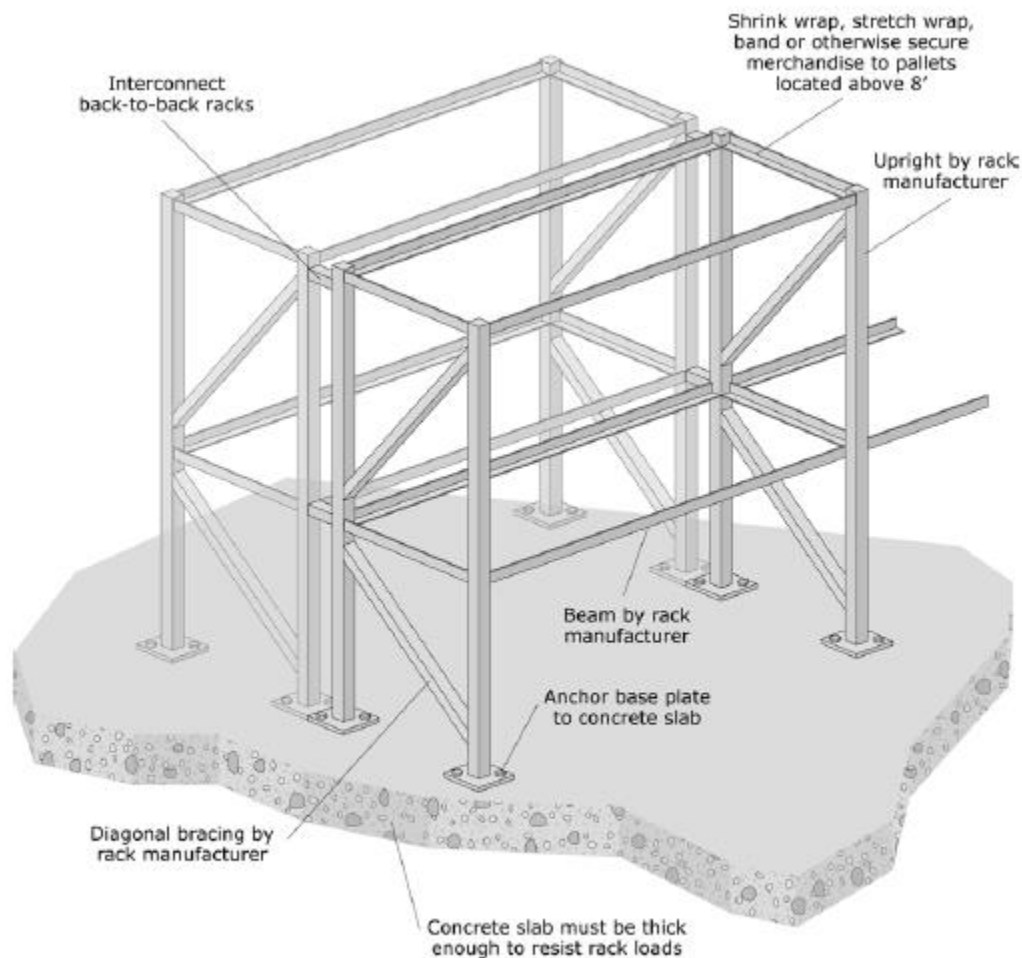


Figure G-19. Light Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage*)



Note: Purchase storage racks designed for seismic resistance. Storage racks may be classified as either nonstructural elements or nonbuilding structures depending upon their size and support conditions. Check the applicable code to see which provisions apply.

Figure G-20. Industrial Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

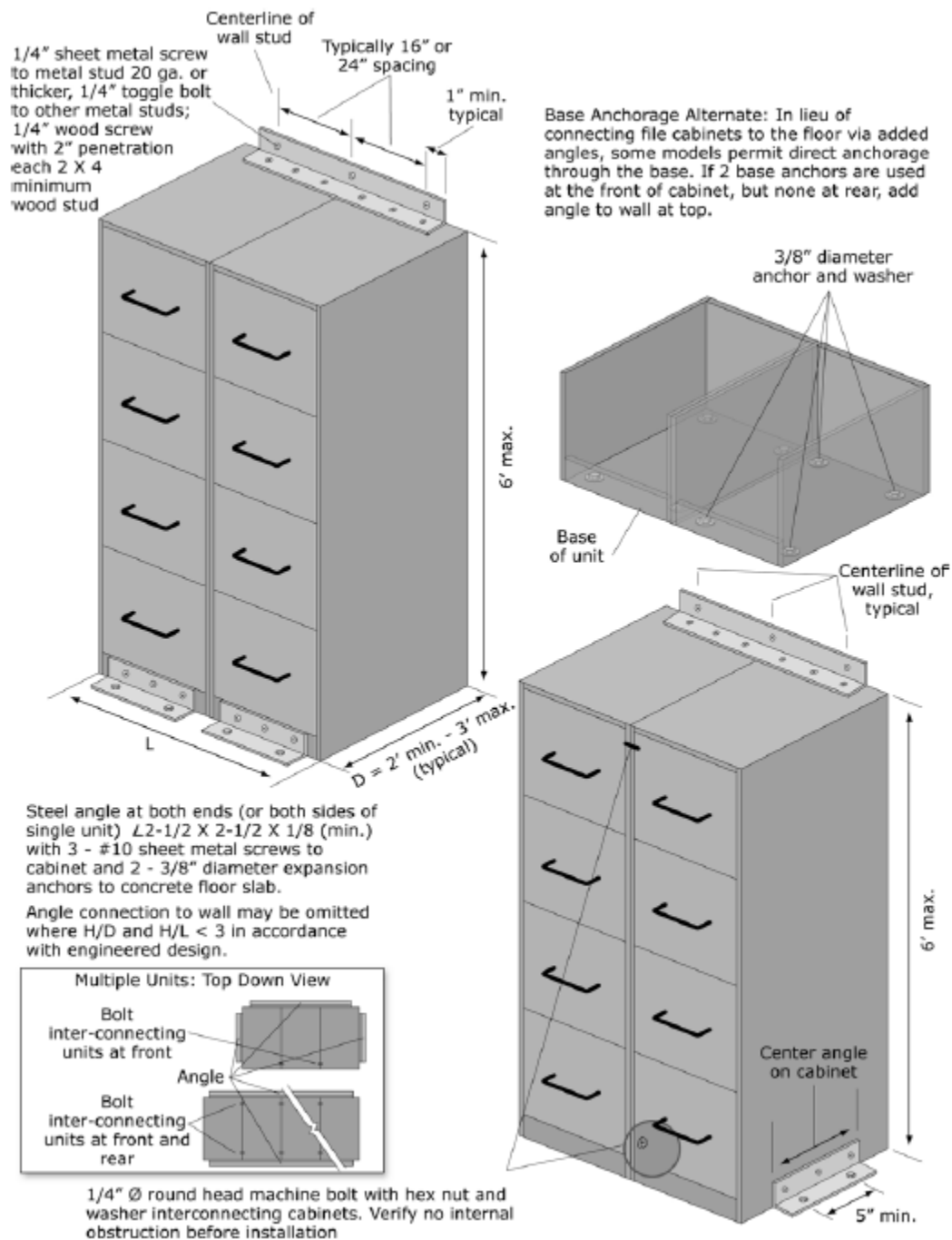


Figure G-21. Wall-mounted File Cabinets.
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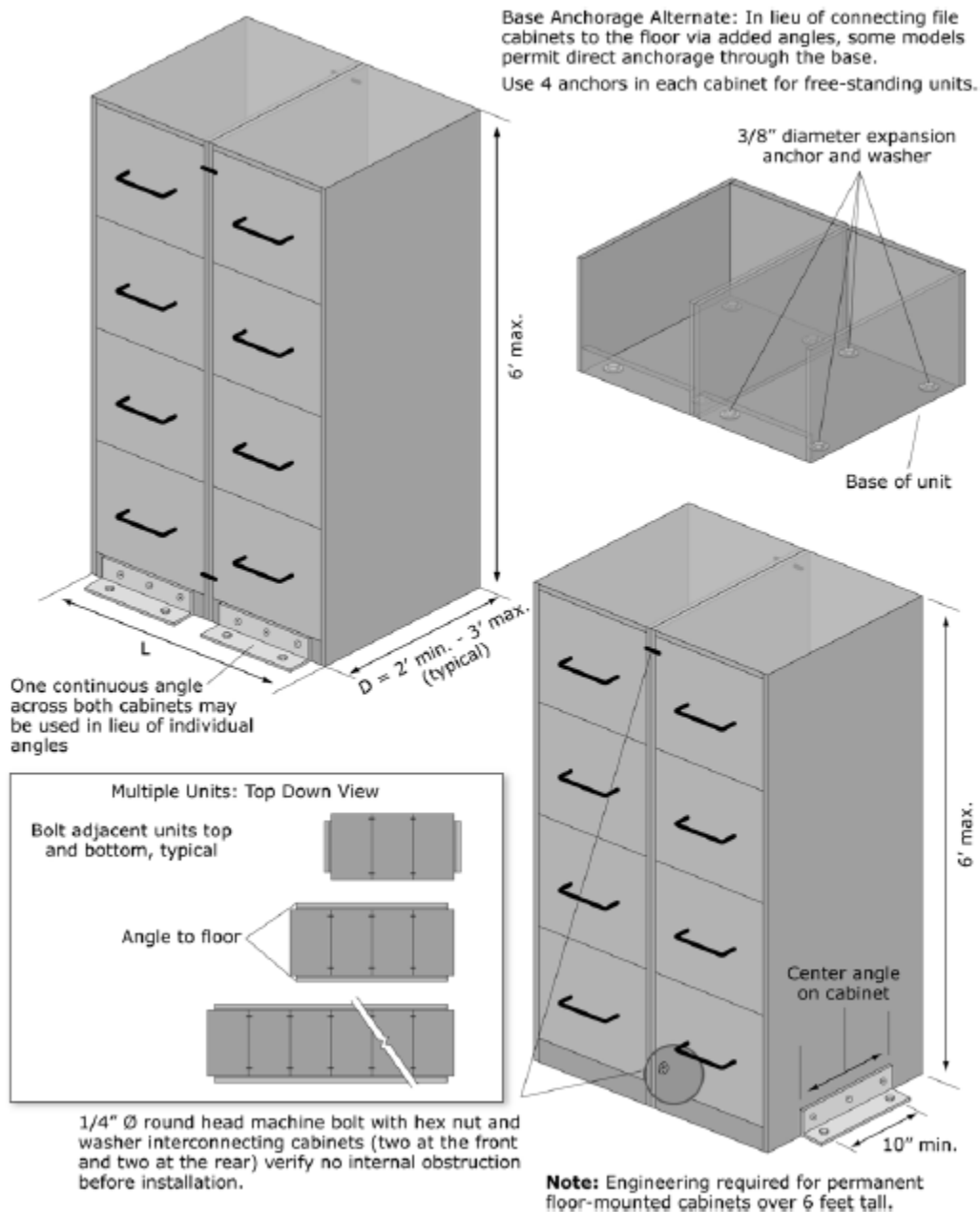
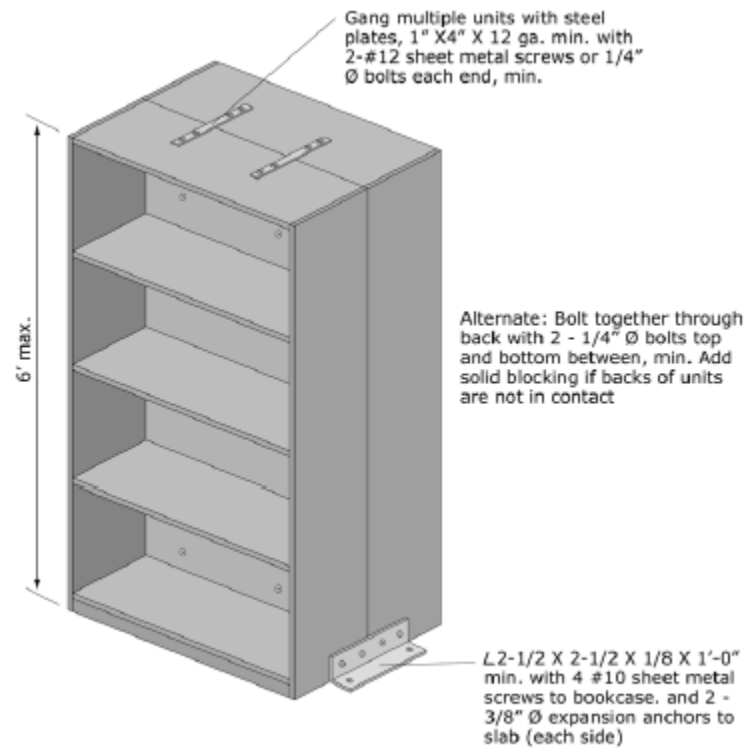


Figure G-22. Base Anchored File Cabinets.
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Note: Engineering required for all permanent floor-supported cabinets or shelving over 6 feet tall. Details shown are adequate for typical shelving 6 feet or less in height.

Figure G-23. Anchorage of Freestanding Book Cases Arranged Back to Back.
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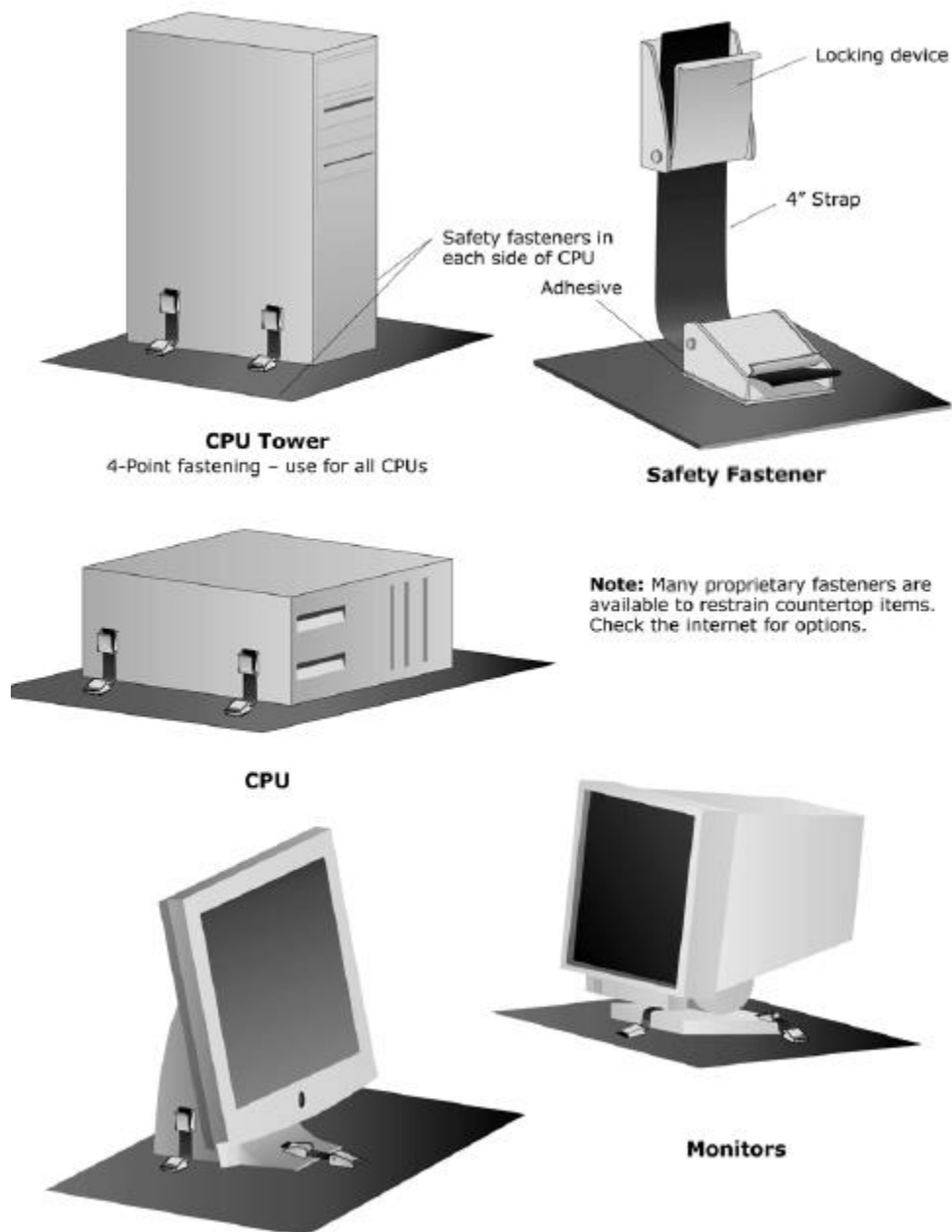
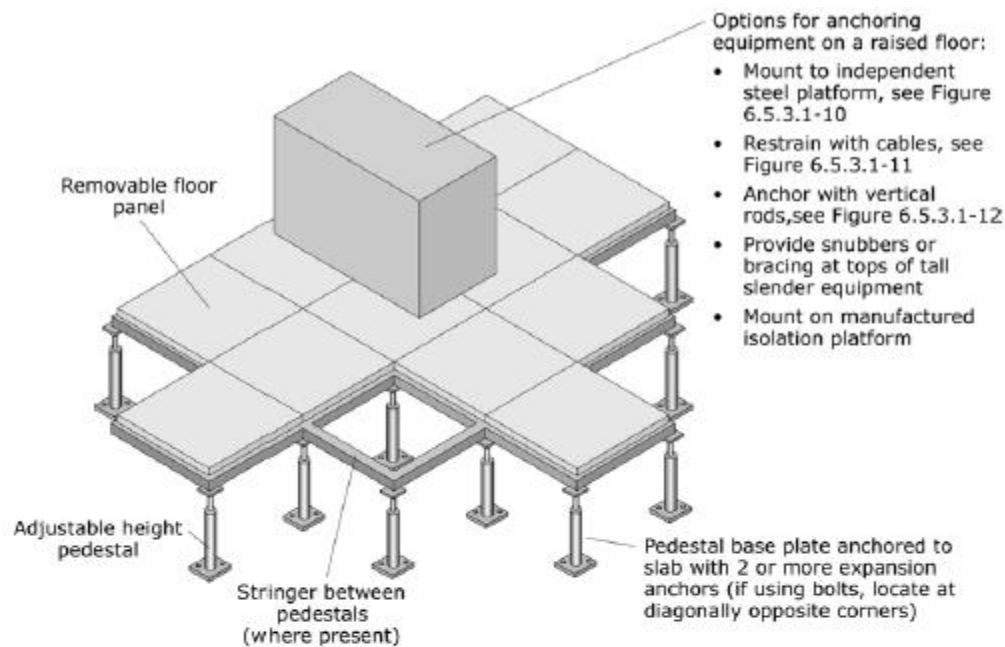
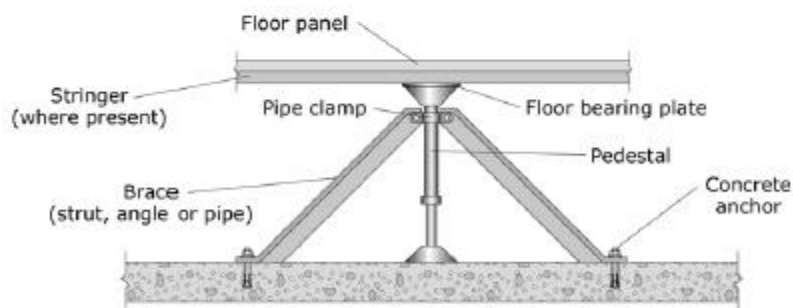


Figure G-24. Desktop Computers and Accessories.
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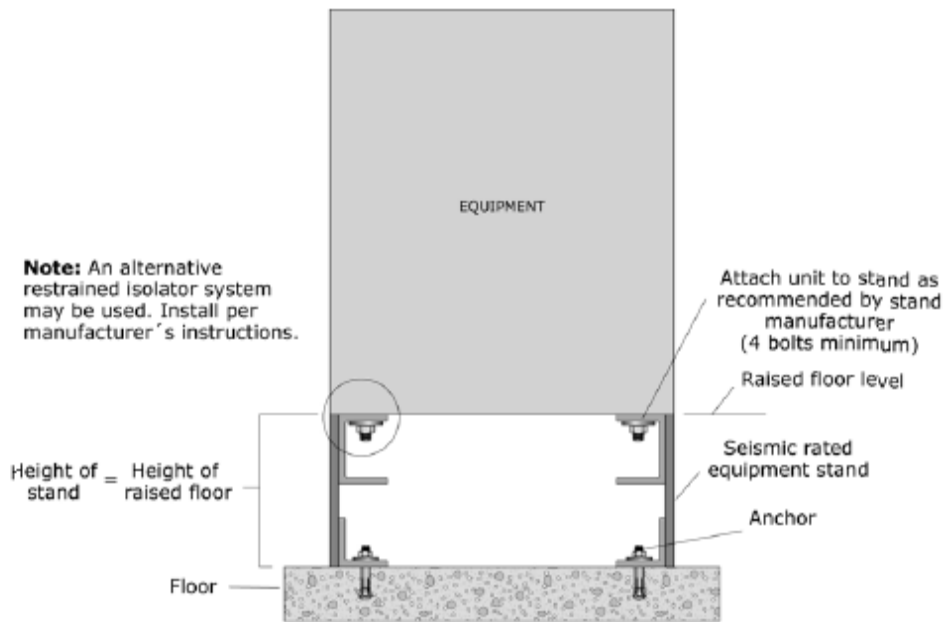
Cantilevered Access Floor Pedestal



Braced Access Floor Pedestal
(use for tall floors or where pedestals are not strong enough to resist seismic forces)

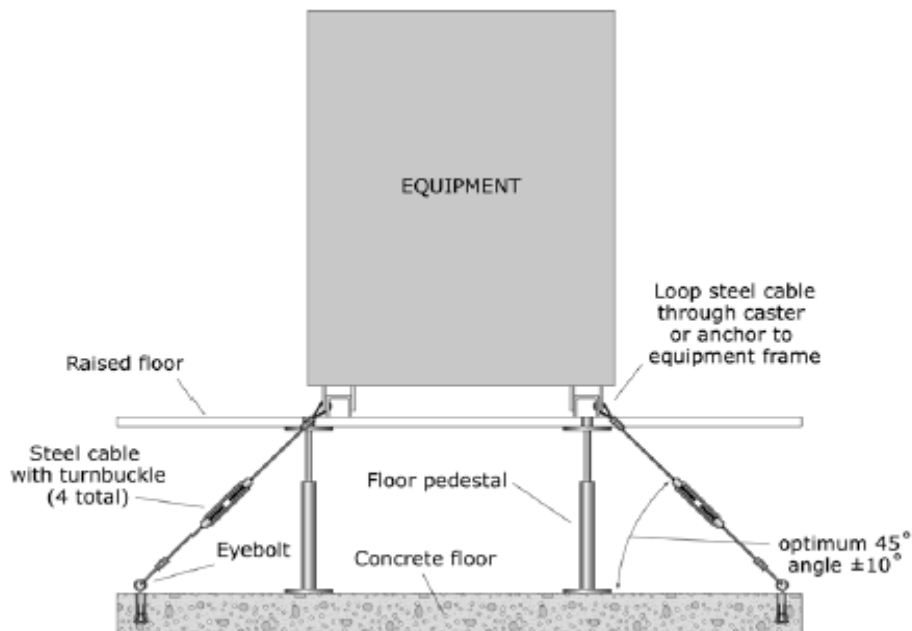
Note: For new floors in areas of high seismicity, purchase and install systems that meet the applicable code provisions for "special access floors."

Figure G-25. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor.
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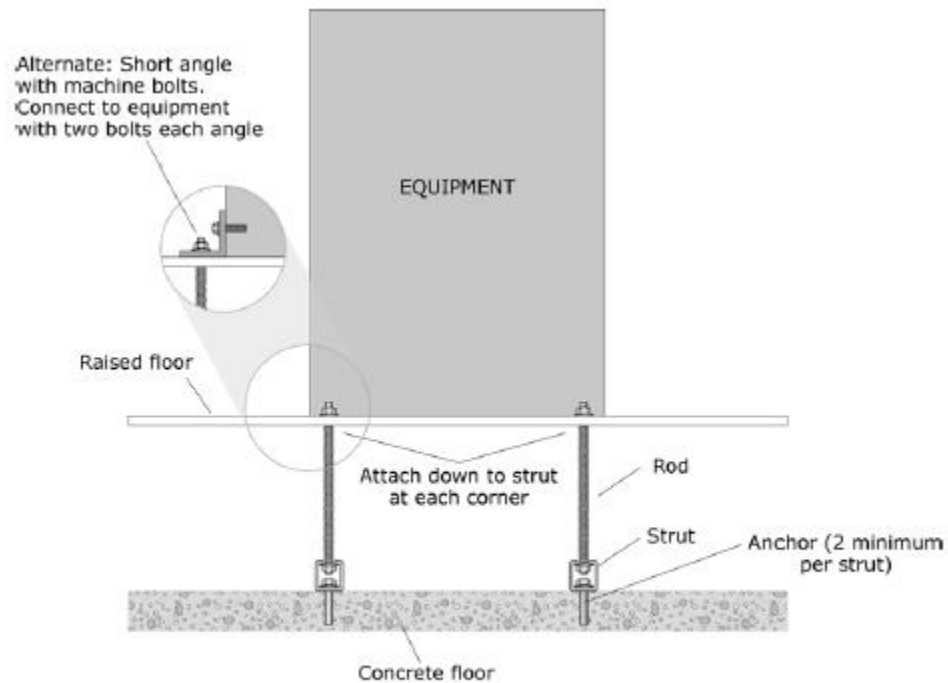
Equipment installed on an independent steel platform within a raised floor

Figure G-26. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Independent Base.
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Equipment restrained with cables beneath a raised floor

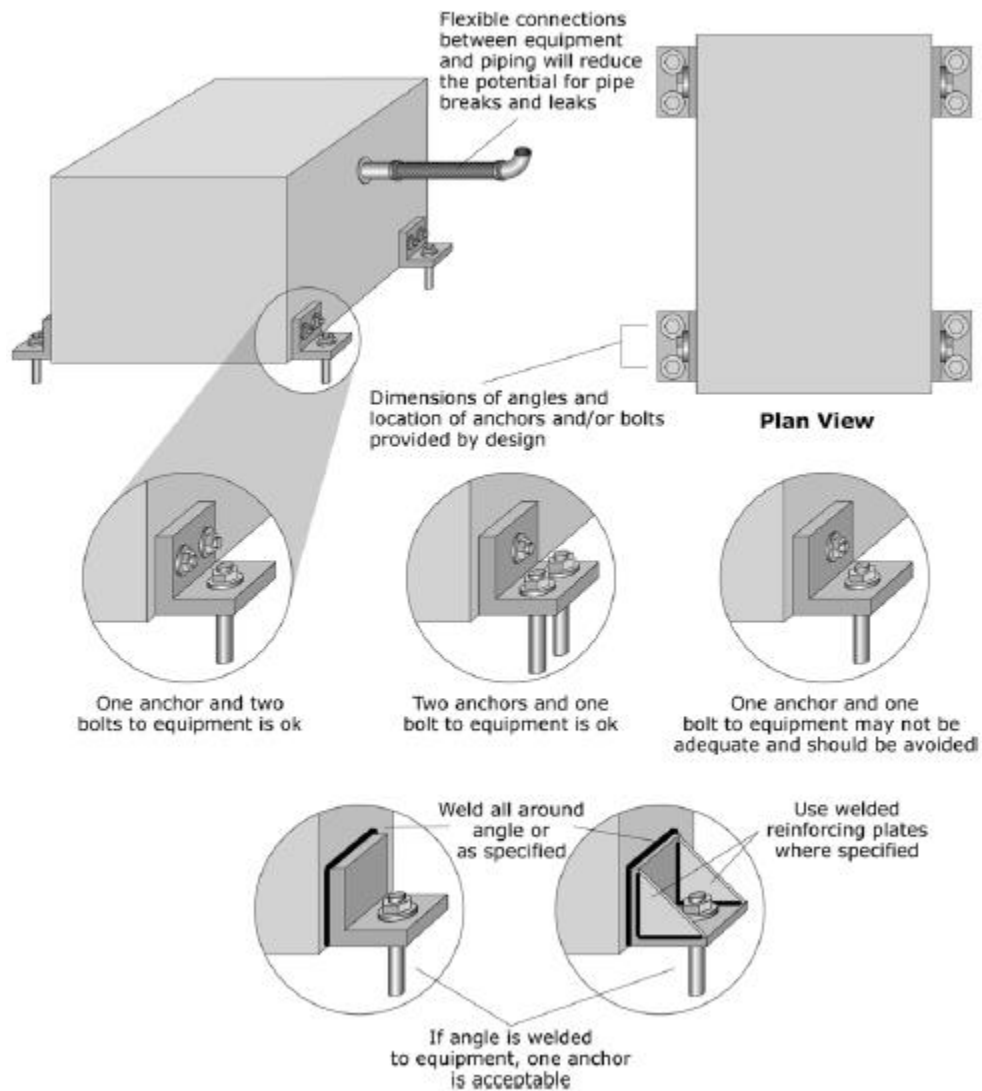
Figure G-27. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Cable Braced.
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Equipment anchored with vertical rods beneath a raised floor

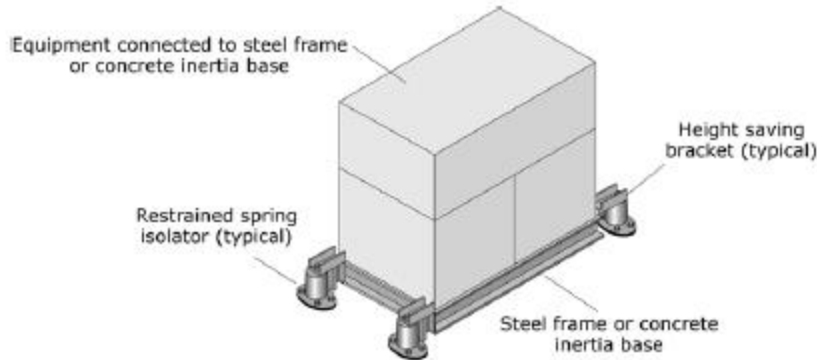
Figure G-28. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Tie-down Rods.
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Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

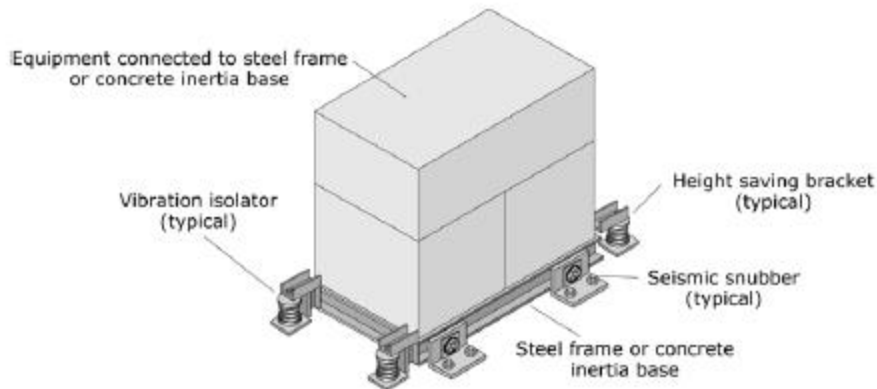


Note: Rigidly mounted equipment shall have flexible connections for the fuel lines and piping.

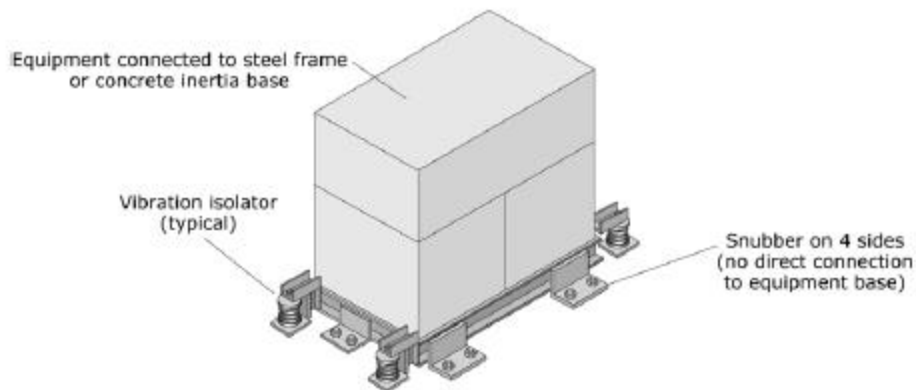
Figure G-29. Rigidly Floor-mounted Equipment with Added Angles.
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Supplemental base with restrained spring isolators



Supplemental base with open springs and all-directional snubbers



Supplemental base with open springs and one-directional snubbers

Figure G-30. HVAC Equipment with Vibration Isolation.
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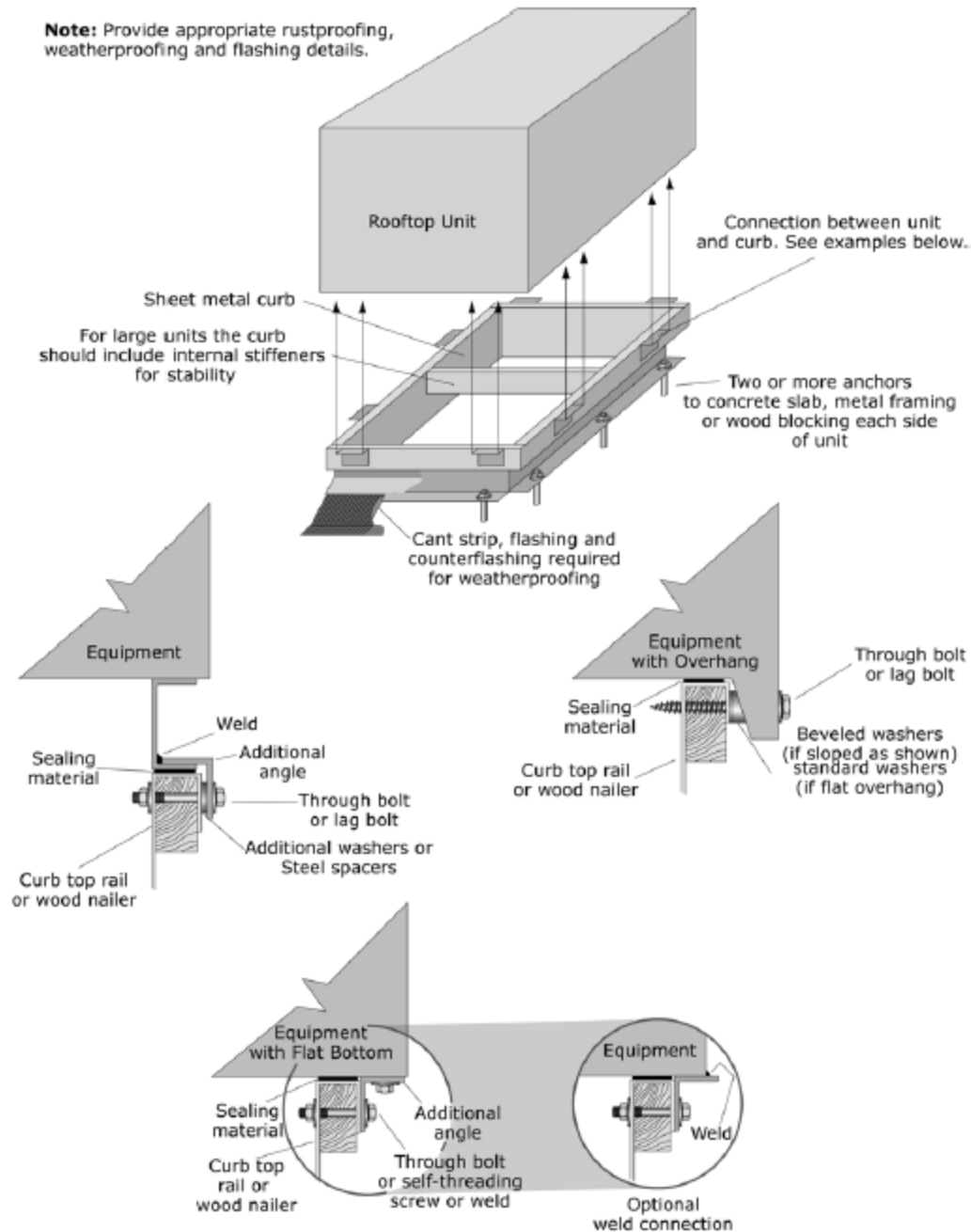


Figure G-31. Rooftop HVAC Equipment.
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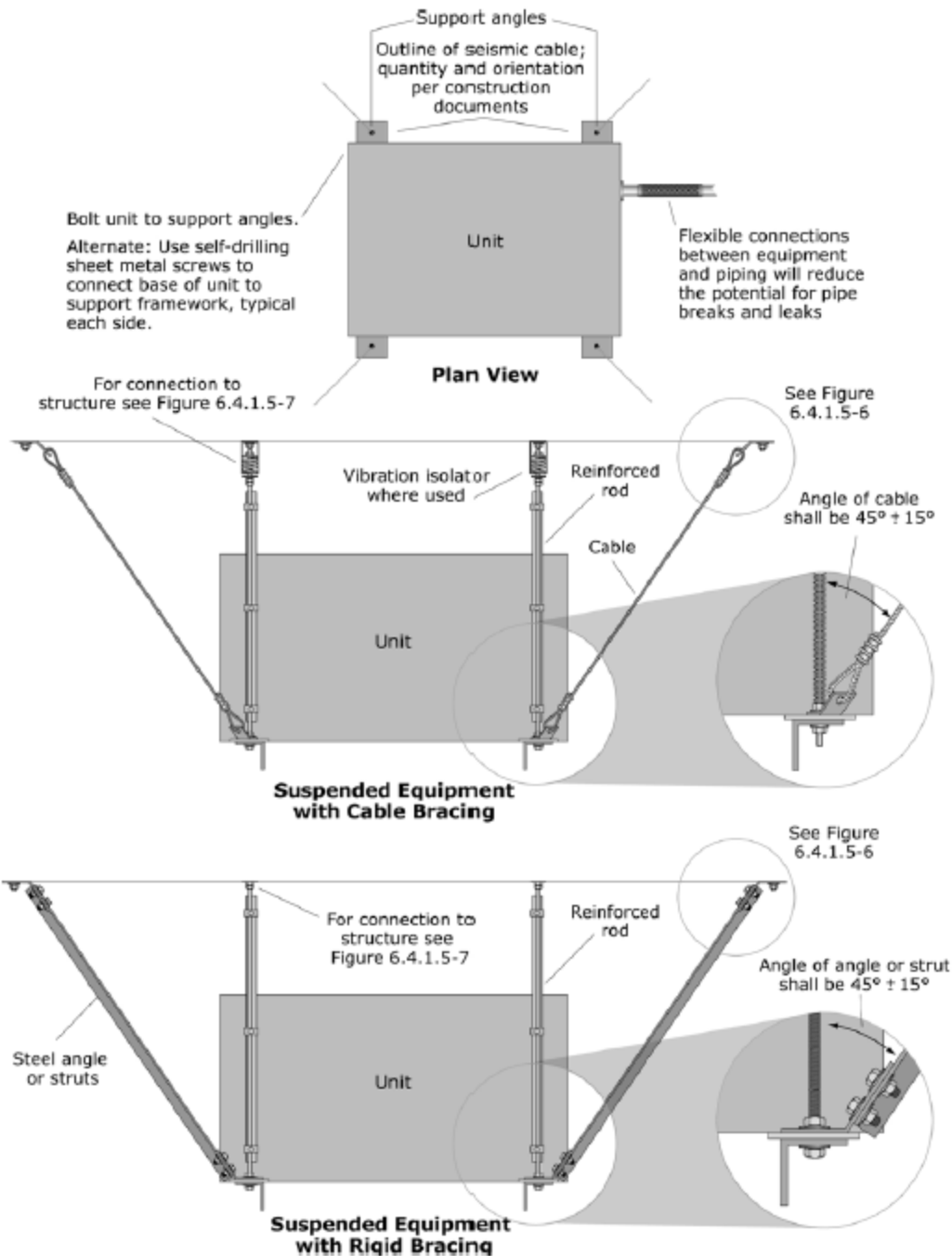


Figure G-32. Suspended Equipment.
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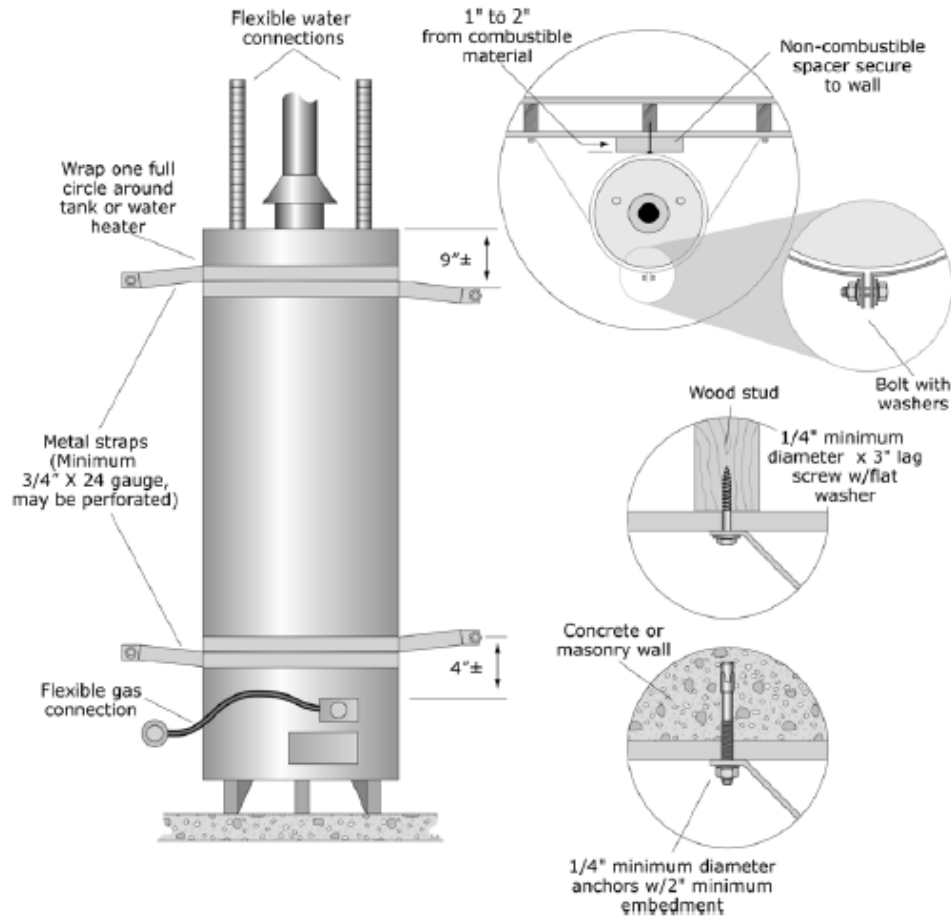


Figure G-33. Water Heater Strapping to Backing Wall.
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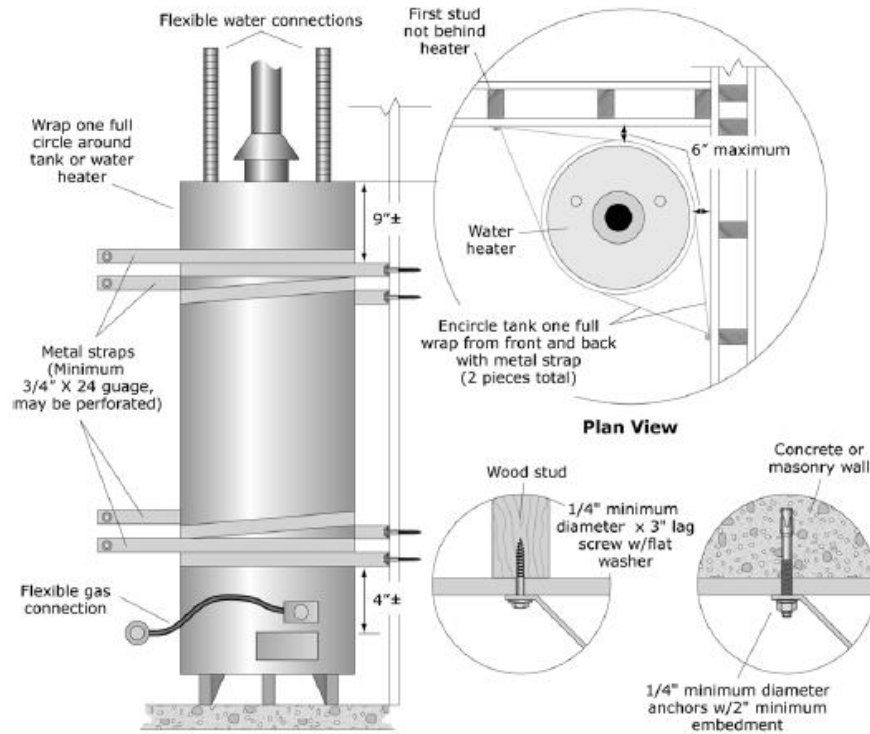


Figure G-34. Water Heater – Strapping at Corner Installation.
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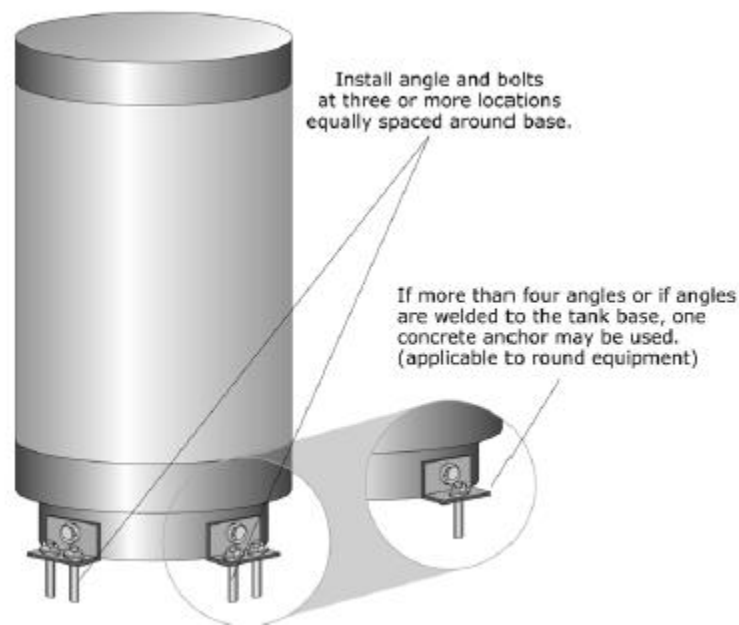


Figure G-35. Water Heater – Base Mounted.
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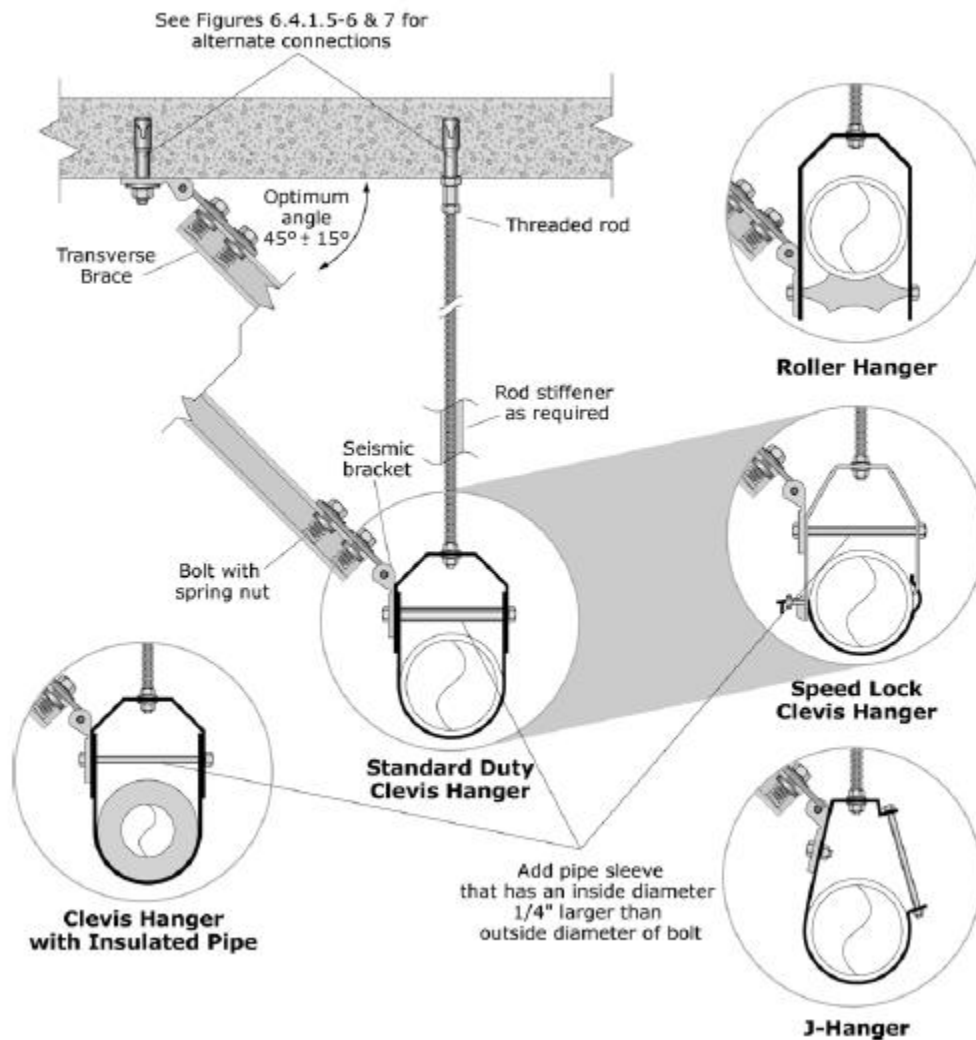


Figure G-36. Rigid Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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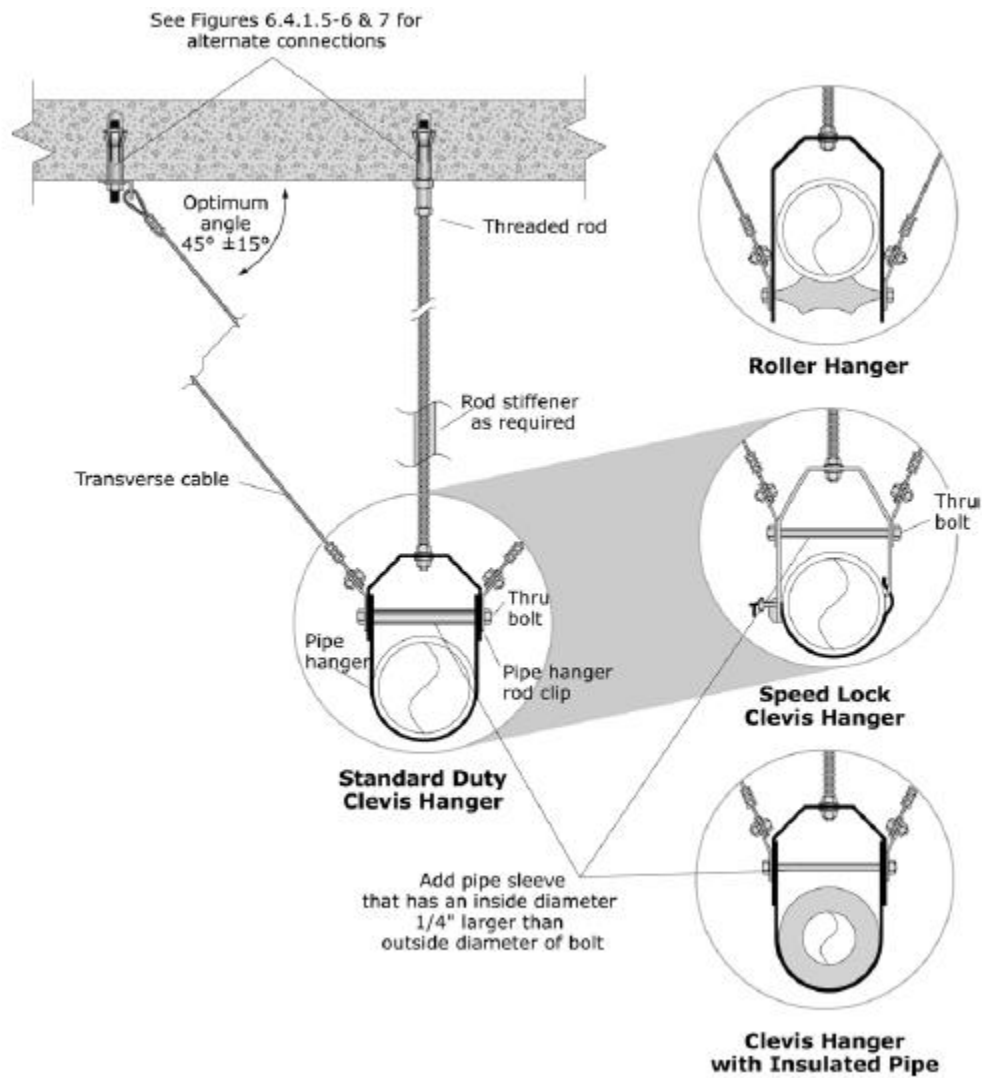


Figure G-37. Cable Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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Electrical and Communications

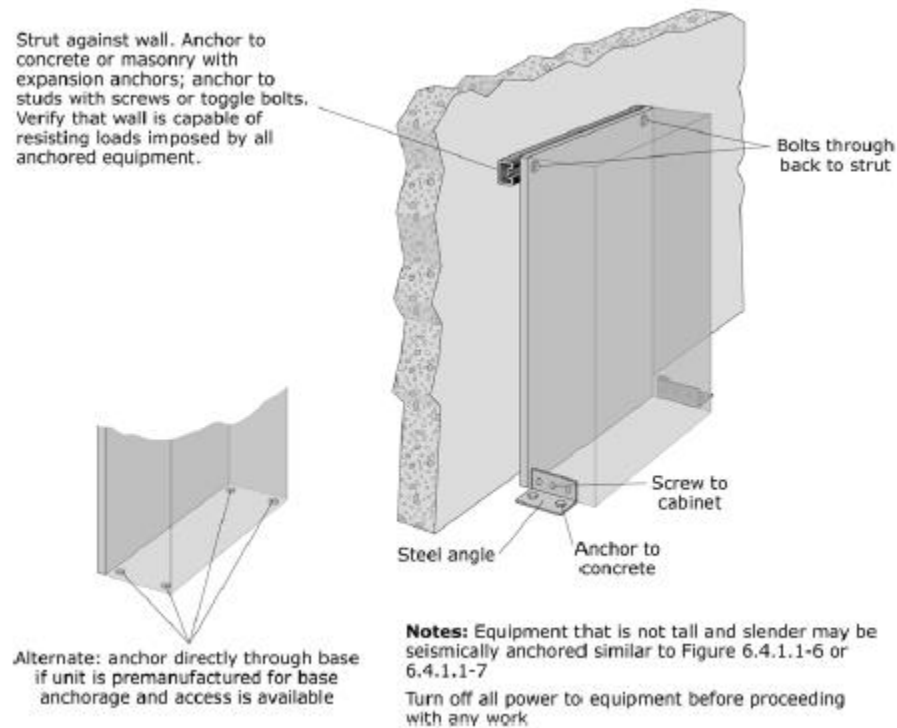


Figure G-38. Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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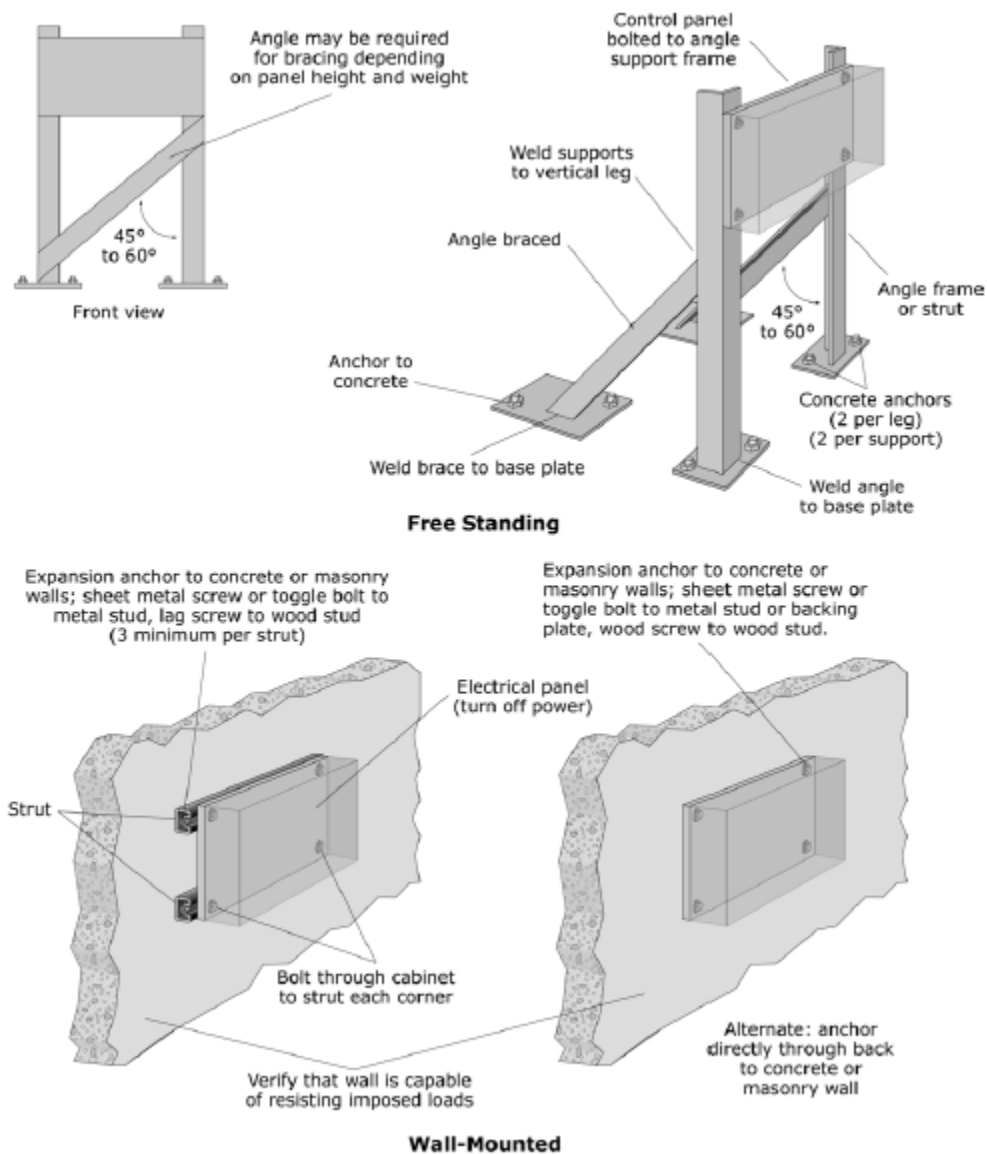


Figure G-39. Freestanding and Wall-mounted Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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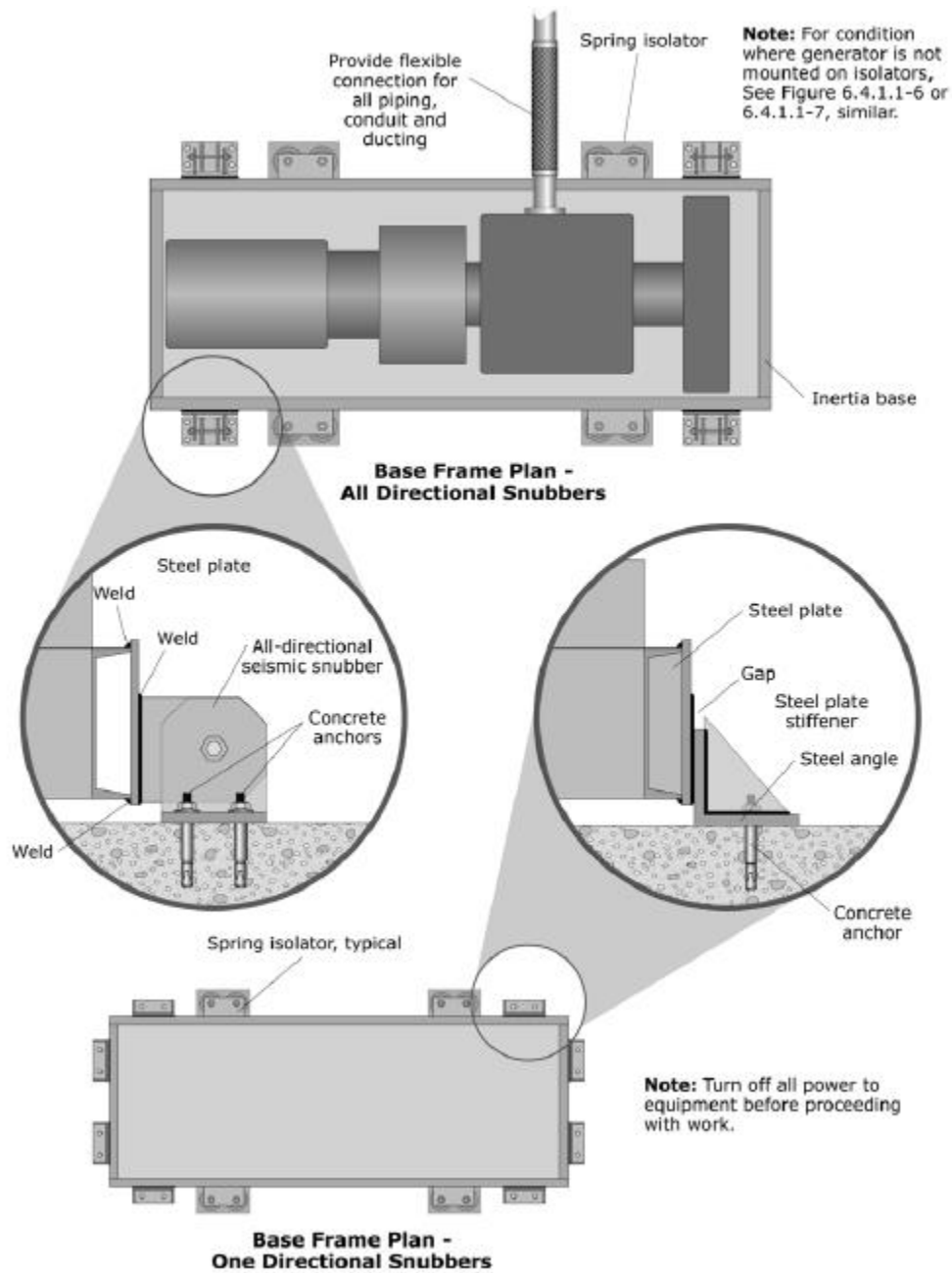


Figure G-40. Emergency Generator.
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